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City of Boston. 1.

January 3. 1853.

Organization

This being the day appointed by law for the organization of the City Government, the following gentlemen appeared and took their seats.

Benjamin Seaver. Mayor.

Aldermen

Benjamin James,	James Whiting.
Jacob Sleeper.	Benjamin F. White.
Thomas P. Rich,	Oliver Frost,
Isaac Cary.	

Seyman Perry, Alderman elect, was absent by reason of illness.

Mr. Gardner, of Ward 4. came up with a message, informing the Board that a quorum of the common council were present in their Chamber, and were now ready to be qualified.

The two branches accordingly assembled in the Common Council Chamber in Convention.

The meeting was opened with Prayer by the Rev. George W. Blagden, D.D.

The Hon. Lemuel Shaw, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, administered the oaths of office to the Mayor, who afterwards administered the like oaths to

2 the Aldermen, and then to the Members of the Common Coun-
-cil.

The Mayor afterwards addressed the City Council after which the two branches separated.

Common Council

Mr. Plummer of Ward No 7. came up with a message informing the Board that the Common Council were organized by the choice of Henry J Gardner as President and Washington P. Gragg as Clerk.

City Clerk

Whereupon it was ordered that a message be sent to the Common Council proposing a Conven-
-tion of the City Council, forthwith, in the Chamber of the Common Council, for the purpose of electing a City Clerk. A message was received from the Common Council stating that that Board con-
-curs in the proposition to form a Convention for the purpose of choos-
-ing a City Clerk.

The two branches of the Govern-
-ment having assembled in Convention.

The Mayor appointed Aldermen Leary and Whiting, and Messrs Nicolson, Tucker & Adams a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for a City Clerk who having attended to that duty, reported, That the whole number of votes was 51.

Necessary for a choice 26.

Samuel F. McCleary, Jr. had 50.

Wm F. A. Kelly 1.

Mr. McCleary having been declared elected the oaths of office

were administered to him by the Mayor. The business of the Convention having been accomplished, the two branches separated.

Rules & Orders.

Ordered: That Messrs Plummer, Reed and Warren with such as the Board of Mayor and Aldermen may join be a Committee to consider and report joint Rules and Orders for the government of the City Council for the current year. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurance. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Rich and Whiting were joined.

Municipal Register.

Ordered: That such Ordinances, By-Laws and Special Orders of the City Council, with a list of the City Officers in the various departments of the City Government, and such other matter as may be deemed advisable, be forthwith printed under the direction of the Joint Special Committee on Rules and Orders, who may employ such assistance as may be necessary for that purpose. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Meetings.

On motion of Alderman Sleeper, Monday, at four o'clock, P.M. was assigned as the day and time for holding the regular meetings of the Board.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Thursday the Sixth day of January, A.D. 1853.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen Sleeper and Cary.

Alderman elect death of

His Honor, the Mayor, having announced to the Board the death of Lyman Perry, Esquire, Alderman elect, which occurred at his residence at 7 o'clock this morning. Alderman Rich offered the following Resolves:- Resolved, That it is with feelings of unfeigned sorrow and regret, that we learn of the decease of our esteemed friend and associate, Lyman Perry, Esquire, Alderman elect, whose removal from life is an event as unexpected, as it is deeply deplored. Resolved, That this event, occurring, as it does, at the commencement of the Organization of the present Municipal Government in the duties of which the deceased had been called by his fellow citizens to participate, impresses us, his associates in those duties, with peculiar solemnity. Resolved, That we tender to the family of the deceased our warmest and heartfelt sympathies in the affliction; and while they mourn the removal of an affectionate husband and father, we feel that we have lost a frank, generous and valued friend, whose character was pure, whose integrity was spotless, and whose fidelity to his public and private duties was eminently consistent and firm. Resolved, That as a further testimonial of our respect for the deceased, this Board will attend his funeral on the day set apart for its observance. Resolved, That His Honor, the Mayor be requested to transmit a copy of these Resolutions to the family of the deceased.

Alderman Whiting with some appropriate and impressive remarks moved the adoption of the Resolutions, which were passed unanimously.

On motion of Alderman James the Board then

Adjourned.

Tuesday, January eleventh, Anno Domini, Eighteen hundred and fifty three.

On account of the Funeral solemnities over the late Alderman Perry, which were observed yesterday at 3 o'clock, P.M. the regular meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston was held this day at 11 o'clock, A.M. at City Hall.

Present.

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Keeper

Ordered that the Committee on Rules and Orders be instructed the Committee on Rules and Orders to consider the expediency of providing for the appointment of a joint committee to whom shall be referred all petitions for laying out and widening Streets, and who shall report to the Mayor and Aldermen all cases which require action. Came up for concurrence. Read and laid on the Table.

The Report of the Captain of the Watch containing a statement of the doings in his

Dep't. Department for the quarter ending December 31. 1852. was
January 11 1853. read and placed on file.

Rules & Orders. Ordered, That the Rules and
Orders of the City Council for the last year be adopted by the
present City Council until otherwise provided. Passed in Common
Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Watchmen. On nomination by the Mayor,
Joseph Young, William N. Batchelder, and Thomas A. Thayer
were appointed on the Watch.

President elect. His Honor the Mayor, having
communicated to the Board that, by a vote of the last City
Council, the hospitalities of the City had been tendered to General
Franklin Pierce, President Elect, while on his way to Washing-
-ton, and that he had accepted the invitation of the City, and
the Mayor having suggested that a Special Committee be nom-
-ed to make the necessary arrangements — On motion of Al-
-derman Whiting, Ordered: That Aldermen Whiting and Rich,
with such as the Common Council may join, be a Committee,
with full power, to make such arrangements as shall be nec-
-essary to extend the hospitalities of this City to General Franklin
Pierce, President Elect, when on his way to Washington, in ac-
-cordance with the invitation of the last City Council. Sent
down for concurrence. Came up concurred January 13th & Messrs.
Nicolson, Gurdin, Drew, Woodman and Warren were joined.

Overseers of the Poor. Report from the Overseers of the
Poor containing a Statement of their Receipts & Expenditures for
the year ending December 31. 1852. was read and placed on file.

Report of the Superintendent of Streets for the quarter ending December 25. 1852. exhibiting a charge to the Paving Department for that period of $62,624.14— and the Internal Health Department of $29,028.57. Read and sent down. In common council, read and placed on file. | J. January 11. 1853. Streets.

Ordered: That the Committee of this Board upon Laying out and Widening Streets; on Internal Health,— and on Paving, be instructed to keep fair records of their doings in a substantially bound book, to the end that the same be transmitted to their successors— and the said Committees are fully empowered to employ a competent person for that purpose. | Committees on Streets— Internal Health & Paving.

Communication from the Boston Light Guards tendering their services as an Escort to the City Authorities on the occasion of the reception of the President elect. Read and referred to the joint Special Committee of Arrangements [illegible] and came up concurred January 13th | Guards. Escort.

Ordered: That the Mayor and Surveyor Aldermen be and they are hereby appointed Surveyors of Highways & Highways. according to the terms of the Ordinance passed May 9. 1832. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, January 13.

[illegible] of Alderman Rich. Accounts the Board proceeded to ballot for the choice of a Committee on Accounts on the part of this Board, and the votes having been taken and counted it appeared that the whole number of votes was 7. Necessary for a choice 4.— Alderman Rich had 6.— Alder-

Alderman Mary 3. Alderman Whiting 2. Alderman Frost 1. and Alderman Wm. Alderman James 2. Alderman Rich having the requisite number was accordingly elected. No other person having the requisite number, there was one vacancy.

Accordingly The Board having again proceeded to ballot for one member of said Committee, it appeared that the whole number of ballots was 7. Necessary for a choice. 4. Alderman Mary had 3. Alderman Whiting 2. Alderman White. 1. Alderman Frost 1. [illegible] there was no choice.

After proceeding to a third and fourth ballot with the like result the further action on the subject was laid upon the table.

Open Head Whereas, by an order passed by the
Moorhead last Board on the thirtieth day of December last, it was declared that the drain situated between No 68 & 70 Open Head, and owned by William Moorhead, Joseph Bourassa, William Overdick & John Homan was obstructed and in a state of nuisance, and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, and it was then and there ordered that notice in writing be given to said parties to cause the said nuisance then existing in said premises and consisting of an obstructed drain to be removed within two days from the day of the date of said order by cleansing such drain and removing all obstructions therefrom: And whereas it appears that due notice was given to said several parties pursuant to said order, and that the said parties have neglected to cause the said nuisance to be removed, and that the same still remains a nuisance as before; and whereas the said term of two days has expired: it is therefore, Ordered, That the Chief

of Police be and he is hereby directed to cause the said nuis- [illegible]
-ance to be removed forthwith, by cleansing said drain and removing January 11 1853.
the obstruction therefrom, and repairing the same if defective at the
expense of the said parties.

The joint Special Committee [illegible]
-ted who were directed to report Joint Rules and Orders for the gov- Joint Orders.
-ernment of the City Council, have attended to that duty, and
they recommend the passage of the following order. For the Com-
-mittee, J.F. Rich, Chairman. Ordered: That the Rules and Orders
of the City Council for 1852 be adopted for the government of
the City Council for the present year with the following amend-
-ments viz: Add to Section 12 "Committee on Telegraphic
Fire Alarms" To consist of two Aldermen and three members
of the Common Council, who shall have the superintendence
and control of the Telegraphic System of Fire Alarms, and
the appointment of all officers necessary for its practical opera-
-tion, until otherwise provided. "A Committee on Claims" To
consist of two Aldermen and three members of the Common
Council, who shall have full power and authority to inves-
-tigate, and under the advice of the Mayor, to adjust and settle
all claims against the City, and to take any measures for the
defence of such claims that they may deem expedient. Read,
accepted and the order passed. Sent down for concurrence.
Came up concurred January 13th

Ordered: That the Water May- Water
-istrar, under the direction and control of the Cochituate Water Public
Board, be directed to open the City of Boston, for the quantity of Building.
Water used in the various Public Buildings belonging to said
City, according to such tariff as the said Water Board may

10 determin. And down for concurrence. came up concurred.

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Boston Marine Society Harbor. Alderman Whiting presented to the Board the Resolves of the Boston Marine Society, suggesting the expediency of some energetic action by the City to obtain during the present Session of Congress an appropriation for the erection of a Sea Wall around the base of Long Island Head, as a means of protection to the Harbor of Boston. Read and laid on the table.

Adjourned to Wednesday next, tomorrow at 11 o'clock A.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Wednesday the Twelfth day of January, Anno Domini 1853.

Present

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen Keefe and Cary.

Docks Petition of Patrick Daly and others for a modification or repeal of the existing Ordinance respecting Lighters. Read and laid on the table.

The Board having proceeded 11

by ballot to the choice of one member on the part of this Board January 12, 1853.

to compose the Committee on Accounts, it appeared that the

whole number of ballots was 6. Necessary for choice 4. Isaac Gray Accounts.

had 4. James Whiting 1. Oliver Peck 1. Alderman Gray having

the requisite number was accordingly declared.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'Clock, P.M.

Monday January 17, 1853.

Mr. Henry L. Gardiner member Common

elect of the common Council for Ward No 2. appeared attend- Council.

ed by his colleague Mr. Russell, and was duly qualified member

by His Honor the Mayor, who administered to him the oaths qualified.

required by law.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the Seventeenth day of January A. D. 1853.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Standing committees. The Mayor announced the following Standing Committees of this Board:- Watch and Police. The Mayor. Bridges.- Aldermen James, White & Whiting. Cemeteries.- The Mayor, Aldermen Gary and Frost. Common and Public Lands.- [illegible] Whiting. County Accounts.- Aldermen Whiting, Gary and White. Drains and Sewers.- Aldermen Sleeper, Frost and James. Fire Department.- Aldermen Gary, Rich and Whiting. External Health.- Aldermen Rich, James and Gary. Internal Health.- Aldermen Sleeper, Whiting and White. Lamps, Bells and Clocks.- Aldermen Gary, James and Frost. Laying out & Widening Streets.- Aldermen Sleeper, James and White. Licenses.- Aldermen Rich, Gary and Whiting. Sale.- Aldermen [illegible] and Whiting. Weights and Measures.- Aldermen [illegible] and Gary. Paving & Repairs of Streets.- Aldermen Rich, James & White. Steam Engines &c.- Aldermen Frost, White and Whiting.

Chaddock. Petition of E. N. Chaddock and others, for the appointment of an additional Watchman in the neighborhood of Causeway and Commercial Streets. Referred to the Mayor.

Kolbe. Petition of Charles Kolbe to be compensated the damage sustained by him from the wid-

-ening of Washington Street near Bedford Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets. 13.

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[illegible]

F. Jones encroachment on the Lines of B. and Second Streets, South Boston. Referred to the Committee on Streets. B^{d} Second St:

Petition of Donald McKay and others praying for additional Ferry accommodations to East Boston. Referred to the Committee on Streets. McKay. Ferry

Petition of S. S. Thayer & others that Water Street may be hereafter called, and known as "Beaver Street." Referred to the Committee on Streets. Thayer. Water St:

Petition of Thomas Richardson that his claim against the City for taking a portion of his land on Fox Street may be referred. Referred to the Committee on Streets. Richardson. Fox Street.

Petition of Lucy A. Hoffman to be paid for damages sustained by her in consequence of the widening of Washington Street. Referred to the Committee on [illegible] Hoffman. Washington St.

Petition of Henry N. Hooper, and others, that Bank Street may be widened. Referred to the Committee on Streets. Hoop^{r}. Bank St.

Petitions of Francis Sprague, Willis Sellie, and Bement & Hall, for appointment as Selectmen. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. Sprague. Sillie. Bement.

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Petition of Mary J. Lombard

Jan^y 17. 1853. for abatement of assessment for the construction of a common

Lombard. Sewer in Lexington Street. Referred to the Committee on

Sewers and Drains.

Carpenter. Petition of Henry Carpenter for a

license to sell Second hand articles. Referred to the Committee

on Licenses.

Library Order of the common Council

appointing Messrs Warren, Reed, Thacher, Hale & Woodman,

with such as the Mayor and Aldermen may join, a Stand-

ing Committee on the Public Library. came up for concurrence.

Read and concurred and the Mayor, Aldermen Sleeper

and Fast were joined.

Treasury Order of the Common Council

appointing Messrs Plummer, Sprague and _____ with such

as the Mayor and Aldermen may join a Standing Com-

mittee on the Treasury Department. came up for concur-

rence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Sleeper and

Whiting were joined.

Water Order of the Common Council

appointing Messrs Parker, Quincy, Bacon, Means, Bush

H. P. Gardiner, with such as the Mayor and Aldermen

may join, a Standing Committee on Water. came up for

concurrence. Read and concurred, and the Mayor, and

Aldermen Fast and White were joined.

Sidewalks Order of the Common Council

appointing Messrs Nickson, Cowdin and Adams, with such

as the Mayor and Aldermen may join, a Standing Com-

-mittee on Claims. Came up for concurrence. Read and 13.
concurred, and Aldermen Rich and White were joined. Jan^y 17. 1853.

Order of the Common Coun-
appointing Messrs. [illegible] and Capen
such as the Mayor and Aldermen may join, a Standing
Committee on Fuel. Came up for concurrence. Read and con
-curred and Aldermen Gary and White were joined.

Order of the Common Council, [illegible]
appointing Messrs. Nicolson, Rayner, Bonney and French, at S^o Boston
with such as the Mayor and Aldermen may join, a Stan- & Deer Island.
-ding Committee on the Institutions at South Boston and
Deer Island. Came up for concurrence. Read and concured,
and the Mayor, and Aldermen Sleeper and Frost were joined.

Order of the Common Council Assessors
appointing Messrs. Bowdlin, Bonney and Hinds with such as the Department
Board of Mayor and Aldermen may join a Standing Com
-mittee on the Assessors' Department. Came up for concurrence.
Read and concured, and Aldermen Sleeper and Whiting
were joined.

Order of the Common Council [illegible]
appointing Messrs. Burnham, Drew and Thacher, with
such as the Mayor and Aldermen may join, a Standing
Committee on Boston Harbor. Came up for concurrence, Read
and concured, and Aldermen James and Frost were
joined.

and 17. 1853.

Order of the Common Council appointing Messrs Roberts, Thorndike, Winter, Conley, and Goodwin with such as the Board of Mayor and Aldermen may join a Standing Committee on Public Buildings. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen James, Rich and Cary were joined.

Public Buildings

Ordinances

Order of the Common Council, appointing Messrs Warren, Durant, Kelly, A.H. Rice, and Demond, with such as the Mayor and Aldermen may join, a Standing Committee on Ordinances. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Whiting, White and Rich were joined.

Public Lands

Order of the Common Council, appointing Messrs Adams, Plummer, Beal, Tilton & Whittemore, with such as the Mayor and Aldermen may join, a Standing Committee on Public Lands. Came up for concurrence Read and concurred, and the Mayor, Aldermen Cary and James were joined.

Public Instruction

Order of the Common Council appointing the President and [illegible] Messrs Turner and Homer, with such as the Mayor and Aldermen may join, a Standing Committee on Public Instruction. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and the Mayor and Aldermen Sleeper and Rich were joined.

Printing

Order of the Common Council appointing Messrs. Bullrick and J.C. Rice, with such as the Mayor and Aldermen may join a Standing Committee on Printing. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred;

and Alderman Rich was joined. 17.

On motion of Alderman Jan^{y} 17, 1853.
Whiting the Mayor was added to the joint Select Committee Finance.
on the reception of the President elect.

The Superintendent of
Common Sewers presented to the Board a Schedule of assess-
-ments for the construction of the common Sewer in Webster Street,
east of Chelsea Square. Referred to the Committee on Sewers
and Drains.

The Superintendent of Com- Princeton
-mon Sewers presented to the Board a Schedule of assessments Sewer.
for the construction of the common Sewer in Princeton Street.
Referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains.

Ordered: That Aldermen James Fences &c.
and Rich be a Committee to nominate to this Board, suitable
candidates for Fence Viewers, Cullers of Hoops & Staves, Field Drivers
and Pound Keepers and Inspectors of Lime.

On nomination by the Mayor, Watch
James Rose, and Thomas Swadkins were appointed on the Watch

Petition of Thomas J. Turner Turner
and others, that Lamps be lighted on Gold Street, between E.
& F. streets. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Petition of Francis Jackson & Jackson.
others, for the use of Faneuil Hall on Friday, January 28th for Faneuil Hall.
the purpose of holding an Anti Slavery Meeting therein. Referred

18 to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board
Jan[y] 17. 1853 with full power.

Petition of James Scully for com-
Scully. pensation for the damage sustained by him in consequence of
Pierce & Clark &c. the grade of Commercial Street; — and of Pierce,
Clark &c. for leave to put iron gratings in the sidewalk in
Milk Street instead of a wooden cellar door. Referred to
the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Hiram Dean for leave
Dean. to set up a Stationary Steam Engine at the corner of Kneeland
and Utica Streets. Referred to the Committee on Steam En-
-gines &c.

Remonstrance against the ap-
Brown. pointment of John G. Brown as Field Driver of this City. Referred
Field Driver. to the Special Committee on that subject.

Petition of James L. Hemmeon
Hemmeon to be compensated the damage sustained by his wife in falling
through a cellar window in Tremont Street. Referred in Com-
-mon Council to the Committee on Claims. Came up for concur-
rence. Read and concurred.

Ordered: That the Joint Commit-
Armories. -tee on Public Buildings be requested to take into consideration
the propriety of furnishing the several Military companies in
this City with suitable Armories, and report at their earliest
convenience. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concur-
-rence. Read and concurred.

Petition of Paul Dean Wallis
Wallis for an alteration in the condition of the City's deed of Land, on

Franklin Square) to him. Referred in Common Council to 19.
the Committee on Public Lands. Came up for concurrence. Read Jan[y] 17, 1853
and concurred.

Communication from Col. Thom- Public
as H. Perkins concerning a block of marble to be presented to Washington
the Washington National Monument, together with some Monument.
engravings accompanying said letter. Read in Common
Council to the Committee on the Public Library. Came up for
concurrence. Read and concurred.

Petition of the Webster Artil- Webster
lery for an Armory. Referred in Common Council to the Artillery.
Committee on Public Buildings. Came up for concurrence. Read
and concurred.

The Chief of Police presented Police
to the Board his Annual Report of the doings in his Office Ann: Report.
for the year ending Dec[r] 31. 1852. Laid on the Table and ordered
to be printed.

The Chief of Police presented Police
to the Board a quarterly report of the doings in his office up quarterly Rt.
to the 31st of January 1853. Read and laid down in Common
Council placed on file.

Communication from the Over- House of
seers of the House of Correction asking for a further appropria- Correction.
tion for the completion of their new buildings. Read and re-
ferred to Aldermen James, Rich, and Whiting.

Communication from the Chief Engineer
of the Boston Fire Department recommending that Engine No 12 Engineers
(the new Engine recently added to the department) be placed in

20. Hydrant House № 4 on Tremont Street, and that a new
January 17. 1853. house be erected for said Hydrant near Church Street. Refer-
red to the committee on the Fire Department.

Head offices Vacancies. Message from the Common Council stating that vacancies exist in that Branch in Wards № 9 (one member) and № 10. (two members) Read and laid on the Table.

Boston Marine Society. Harbor. On motion of Alderman Whiting the communication from the Boston Marine Society respecting the erection of a Sea Wall around the base of Long Island Head was taken from the Table and referred to the committee on the Harbor. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred January 20th

Faneuil Hall. Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be directed to take into consideration the expediency of altering and beautifying the interior of Faneuil Hall and that they be authorized to procure plans for the same for the examination of the City Council. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred January 27th

Daily Fighters. On motion of Alderman Whiting the petition of Patrick Daily and others for some modification or repeal of the existing Ordinance on Fighters and Beast, was taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Ordinances. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred January 24th

Unfinished business. Ordered: That the several Standing Committees of this Board resume the unfinished business of the last year.

Invitation from J. Wesley Jones to visit his Panorama of California &c. at Amory Hall was accepted by the Board for Wednesday evening next. 21. January 17. 1853. California

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board be instructed to procure a plan for the alteration of Mayor & Aldermen's room, that will be appropriate to the wants and convenience of the Board, and to report the same at an early day. Mayor & Aldermen's room

Alderman Rich called up from the table the order of the common council respecting the appointment of a Joint Committee on Streets and on his motion this Board non-concurred with the action of the Common Council thereon. Streets.

Ordered: That the Inaugural Address of His Honor, the Mayor, be referred to Aldermen Sleeper and Whiting with such as the Common Council may join, to consider and report what disposition shall be made of the several subjects embraced therein. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred January 20th and Messrs Bullock, Hinds and Homer were joined. Mayor's Address.

Petition of Benjamin F. Cook, and others that the Ward Officers be instructed to compare the check marks on the Voting Lists with their returns of votes be read and ordered that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Voting List.

Ordered: That Aldermen Sleeper and Whiting with such as the Common Council may Firms.

22. join to the Joint Standing Committee on Telegraphic Fire Alarm. [illegible] appointed [illegible] Mayor and Messrs. Jones, Dupee and Thorndike were joined.

Appointment of Officers

Agreeably to the Report of the Committee on the Fire Department, the Annual nomination of certain officers of the several Engine, Hydrant, and Hook and Ladder companies were approved by the Board.

Adjourned to Friday next at 11 o'Clock, A.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Friday the Thirty first day of January A.D. 1855

present

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen Gaw [illegible]

Finance

Notice was received from the Common Council of the choice on the part of that Branch of the following Committee on Finance viz: Messrs. Nickerson, Fuller, Hall, Bird, Demond and Dean. The Mayor, on the part of the Mayor and Aldermen [illegible] said Committee.

Appropriation

Communication was read from the Auditor stating that appropriations were required to [illegible]

Building, Widening Streets, and House of Correction. Referred 23.
in common Council to the Committee on Finance. Came up Jan^y 21. 1853.
for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Communication from His City Debt
Honor the Mayor concerning the maturity of the City Debt.
Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Finance.
Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Notice was received from the President
Common Council that the President of that Body was added Elect.
to the joint Special Committee on the reception of the President
Elect of the United States.

Ordered: That the Joint Standing Grave
-ing Committee on Public Lands be, and they are hereby author- ordered.
-ized, to appoint one or more Commissioners, not exceeding three,
if in the judgement of the said Committee it shall be deemed
advisable, to investigate the subject of the contract between the
city of Boston and William Evans respecting the fencing up
of the public lands, and all the facts and circumstances in
relation to the same, and the present condition of the public lands
arising under the said contract; with instructions to report fully
to the said Committee, at an early day. Passed in Common
Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

The ballots having been taken Lunatic
and counted & Read, a list of the Boston Lunatic Hospital.
Hospital it appeared that Francis C. Gray, Jr. of
Lincoln, Otis Clapp, William H. Eaton, Samuel S. Perkins, and
Alexander H. Rice, were elected in concurrence with the Common Council.

Petition of Anthony Keene

Jan. 21. 1853. and others, that Quincy Street, between D. & G. Streets may be graded. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Libraries. Communication of John B. Wright respecting the establishment of Public Libraries in cities and towns. Referred to the Committee on the Library. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred January 27th

Police. On nomination by the Mayor Thomas Butler and Taylor G. Hall were appointed Special Police Officers for the vicinity of East Boston Ferry.

Fence Viewers. The Special Committee of this
Inspectors of Fish, Board, who were directed to nominate suitable candidates
Hops & Staves for the offices of Fence Viewers &c. recommend the passage
Gauging Master of the accompanying order. For the Committee, Benjamin
Weighers James, Chairman. Ordered: That the following persons be
Pound Keepers and they are hereby appointed to the offices assigned to
Inspectors of Lime them, for the current year viz: John Sprout and Levi Wil-
cutt. Fence Viewers. Henry Brown & Moses Miller, Cullers of Dry Fish.
John K. Carlton and John Lang, Cullers of Hops and Staves.
Charles S. Jackson, Gauging Master. Thomas Stinson & Wigan
Harris, Field Drivers and Pound Keepers. Robert Marsh &
Joel Wheeler, Inspectors of Lime. Passed. Sent down for concur-
rence. Came up concurred January 27th

Auctioneers Willis Little and Francis Sprague
were appointed Auctioneers for this City.

On the petition of William Lincoln to be compensated the damage sustained by him in consequence of an alleged defect in Broad Street, the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted. January 21, 1853. Lincoln

On the Memorial of the Perkins Institution for the Blind respecting the grade of the Streets in the vicinity of that Institution;— of A. E. Messinger that curbs may be constructed at the corner of Kneeland and Lincoln Streets;— of George W. Haseltine to be compensated the damage sustained by him in consequence of the change of grade in Tremont Street;— and of Charles Allen to be paid for damages sustained in consequence of the change of grade in Pearl Street;— the Committee on Paving reported that no further action is necessary thereon. Read & accepted. Perkins Institution— Messinger— Haseltine Allen

On the petitions of A. C. Stevens and others that Brookline Street may be macadamized;— of Pierce, Clark & Co., for leave to substitute iron gratings for a cellar door in Milk Street; of Moses Pond to widen his cellar doorway in Merchants Row to project into the Street;— the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read & accepted. Stevens— Pierce &al. Pond—

On the petitions of Lyman Fawcett, Francis A. Willard, G. F. Drury, Isaac Williams, and William R. Babson, concerning injuries sustained by them in consequence of a change in the grade of Tremont Avenue, the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted. Fawcett— Willard— Williams— Drury— Babson. Tremont Avenue.

January 21. 1853.

Streets Obstructions & perversions.

Ordered: That the Committee on Streets be and they are hereby instructed to consider what action is necessary, if any, on the part of this Board to preserve the City's rights in and to the Streets, Lanes, Alleys, Squares and other public places in the City; and report to this Board all perversions of Public property to private uses and the necessary means to be used to reclaim the same.

Common Council Vacancies. Warrants for Ward meetings.

A message was received from the Common Council stating that there are three vacancies in Ward Three & members of the Common Council. The members returned from said Ward having been illegally chosen and are not entitled to their seats therein. Read and thereupon Alderman Rich submitted an order for the issuing of Warrants for Ward Meetings for the choice of one Alderman in place of Lyman Story, Esquire, deceased; and providing for the filling of certain vacancies in the Ward offices of the City, which order on motion of Alderman Whiting was laid on the table.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the twenty fourth day of January, A.D. 1853

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Petition of Samuel W. Winslow to be compensated the damage sustained by him in raising the grade of Church Street;— of Samuel K. Spinney, and others, that Ninth Street, between I & K. Streets may be graded; of Joseph Smith and others, that Ninth Street between K. and M. streets may be graded; of Luther Parks for leave to run pipes beneath the sidewalk in Broad Street for the purpose of hoisting merchandize,— were referred to the Committee on Paving. Winslow. Church St. Spinney. Ninth Street. Smith. Parks

Petition of Solomon Piper and others, that South Street may be widened at its junction with Lehigh Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets. Piper. South St.

Petition of Henry Whitwell for a discontinuance of a portion of Dock Square. Referred to the Committee on Streets. Whitwell. Dock Square.

Petition of John Bole and others that Richmond Street be widened between Hanover & Salem Streets. Referred to the Committee on Streets. Bole. Richmond St.

Petition of the Massachusetts Academy of Fine Arts for leave to open an exhibition of Paintings &c. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. Mass. Academy of Fine Arts.

Petition of M. H. Keenan

January 24, 1853. and others for leave to form a new Military Company.

Keenan. Agreed to Aldermen Whiting, Rich and Frost.

Hancock Free Bridge. Petition to the Legislature and the order of notice thereon, from the Hancock Free Bridge Corporation, for leave to fill up a portion of their property near West Boston Bridge. Referred to the Committee on [illegible] and Ways & Means. Came up concurred. Jan. 27th.

Fire Alarm. Communication from the Engineers of the Fire Department stating that the Bell on the New North Church is broken and advising the removal of the Fire Alarm Apparatus to the Old North Church in Salem Street. Referred to the Committee on Telegraphic Fire Alarm with full power. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. Jan. 27th.

Henderson. Petition of J. G. Henderson & others that an Engine and apparatus be stationed on Beacon Hill. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Webster Street, Jury. Whereas, pursuant to an Order of this Board, passed on the twenty fourth day of May 1852. public notice thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer has been constructed in Webster Street, East of Belmont Square the cost of which was Two thousand and twenty dollars on account paid thereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City. there remains Fifteen hundred and fifteen dollars to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: It is therefore, Ordered

-ed, That the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, 29.
being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged Jan'y 24. 1853.
and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names,
as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and
the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to
the parties aforesaid their heirs or assigns.

Whereas, pursuant to an Princeton
Order of this Board, passed on the Ninth day of August 1852. Street
public notice having first been given a Common Sewer Sewer
was been constructed in Princeton Street the cost of which was
Three hundred and thirty six dollars and twelve cents, one
quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said
city, there remains Two hundred and fifty two dollars 12/100 to
be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to
law; It is therefore, Ordered, that the persons named in the
Sewer schedule annexed as benefitted as aforesaid,
be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the
sums therein set to their respective names as their proportion-
al part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is
ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties afore-
said, their heirs or assigns.

Agreeably to the recommen- Funeral
dation of the Committee on Cemeteries the following persons Undertakers
were appointed Funeral Undertakers for the present year, viz:
[illegible]
Charles Cook. Richard Dillon. John Farrel. Owen Fagan. Philip
E. Field. Charles Houghton. John L. Ingersoll. George Johnson.
Lewis Fox. James Lynde. David Maden. Hiram Merrill.

John Park. John W. Pierce. Caleb J. Pratt. Obed Pratt, Jr. Franklin Smith. Jeremiah Pinkham. Levi L. Whitcomb. Levi Whitcomb. John Tait. Nathan T. Wing. Nicholas Pratt and others.

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Police Badge.

On motion of Alderman Rich, the order of the last Board appointing a Special Committee to select a pattern for a suitable badge for the City Police, was taken from the files and referred to Aldermen Rich, Gay, and Frost with full power.

Petition

Petition of A. G. Hanborn & Co. to be paid for extra work and materials furnished for a Shoot Hose in Sudbury Shed. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Public Buildings. Came up for concurrence. Had & concurred.

Petition

Petition of Moses Jacoby for the use of the Public Garden for a term of years. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Public Lands. Came up for concurrence. Read and nonconcurred, and referred to the Committee on Common and Public Squares.

Fire Department

pay of Officers

On motion of Alderman Rich the report of the Committee on the Fire Department, whereby the nominations of the Officers for the respective Engine, Hook and Ladder, and Hydrant Companies was approved by the Board January 21, 1853 was amended by adding thereto, the following, "the pay of said officers to commence on the first day of February next". Read and accepted.

Petition

legal suits & executions.

A communication was received from the City Solicitor, as below, respecting several suits at law affecting the title to Slates near Faneuil Hall Market, and

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] January 24 1853

communication be referred to the Committee on Claims, with full power to take any and all measures in the premises, which they may deem most proper, and that the Mayor be authorized to sign and execute on the part of the City, any bond or other instrument, that may be necessary in the premises. Passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred January 27th. The following is the communication from the City Solicitor referred to above.

To Benjamin Seaver, Esq. Mayor &c. Sir, There are one or two matters in this department of the City Government, to which I desire to call your attention. 1. In a communication made to you last year, I alluded to several suits at law which are pending in the Circuit Court of the United States for this District. These suits involve the title to several valuable estates, near Faneuil Hall Market, which the City sold several years ago, by deeds of warranty. The plaintiffs now claim these estates, and contend that the City never had a valid title. These suits were formerly brought in the Supreme Court of this State, where I argued them and the decision was in favor of the City. But as the plaintiffs reside out of the State, they have brought new suits in the United States Circuit Court. One of the cases has been recently tried there, and although the facts were precisely the same, and although I made the same argument there that I did in the Supreme Court, and cited the opinion of that Court, yet the presiding Judge reversed the decision of the other Court and rendered judgement in favor of the plaintiffs. I am about bringing a writ of error in order to carry the case to Washington; but to do this it will be necessary to file a

52. bond and some vote of the City Council is requisite. 2. Another
January 24, 1853 matter to which I desire to call your attention, is a large number
of executions which have been accumulating in my hands for
several years. Some of these are for costs mostly, and some for
debt and costs. In some cases the defendants have been com-
-mitted to jail, in others it was not deemed worth while to go to
the expense. But as these executions amount to several thou-
-sand dollars (one of them is for over $6000) and as the parties
may hereafter be good for the amounts, it would seem to be desi-
-rable that some final disposition should be made of them, either
by compromise, or by placing them on the files of the Auditor. I
am respectfully [illegible] Said Chandler Esq[illegible]
dge.

Snow Guards. Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances be instructed to consider and report upon the expedien-
-cy of establishing rules and regulations under the Statute of this Commonwealth of the year 1848. ch. 278. for the erection and maintenance of Snow Guards upon buildings in the City of Boston, for the protection of the citizens against the Ice and Snow-coming from the roofs of such buildings; and to draft such rules and regulations, if in their judgement it should be expedient. Passed in Common Council, came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Mail. The Superintendent of Mails presented to the Board his Annual Report for the year 1852. Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Watch. On nomination by the Mayor, Nathaniel F. Stevens was appointed a Constable of the Watch; and Amos W. Baker was appointed on the Watch.

Communication was received 33.

from Franklin Pierce, President & Head of the United States, declin- Jan^{y} 24. 1853.
-ing, on account of his recent bereavement, the proffered hospitali- President
-ties of the city. Referred to the Committee of Arrangements for the elect.
intended occasion. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concur=
-red January 26th

Samuel Canning was appoint= Genl House.
-ed Assistant Keeper of the County Court House, subject to the approv=
-al of the Supreme Judicial Court.

Report of the Superintendent Bridges.
[illegible] in 1852. was read and sent down. Also Report of the Superinten=
-dent of the Public Free Bridges showing that 1960 vessels passed
that draw in 1852. was read and sent down. In Common Coun=
-cil both Reports were read and placed on file.

Ordered: That the Mayor, Watchmen
Aldermen Whiting and Rich, be a Committee to inquire and pay & fees
report if any new regulations are necessary in relation to the
Watch as to their pay, and the doing away with receiving fees
& rewards.

On the petition of Donald Mc. M^{c} Kay
Kay and others for additional Ferry accommodations, the Com= Ferries
-mittee on Roads reported the accompanying Order of Notice; Or=
-dered: That an attested copy of the foregoing petition with
this order thereon be served upon the President of the East
Boston Ferry Company and be published three days at least
before the 2^{d} day of February next, that all persons interested
may appear before this Board on that day, at 3 o'clock P. M.

34. to show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said pe-
January 24. 1853. - tition should not be granted. Read, accepted and the order
passed.

Water Board rpt. — The President of the Cochituate Water Board having notified this Board that their Annual rpt. was ready, ordered, that the Cochituate Water Board be and they are hereby authorized to report in print, and that 1000 copies be furnished for the use of the City Government. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. January 27th

Water Board Rpt for 1852. — Ordered: That the Cochituate Water Board be authorized to print a new edition of 1000 copies of their report to the City Council of 1852. or such portion thereof as may be deemed expedient. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. January 27.

Second hand articles. — Henry Carpenter was licensed as a dealer in Second hand articles.

Auctioneers. — Bemond and Hall were appointed Auctioneers of the City.

Richardson — On the petition of Thomas Richardson that his claim against the city may be refered, the Committee on Streets reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Read & accepted.

Howe — On the petition of Samuel G.
Seventh Stud. Howe that Seventh Street, South Boston, may be accepted, the committee on Paving reported, that no further action is necessary. read and accepted.

Fire Alarm. — Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances be instructed to report an Ordinance for the

letter regulating the Telegraphic System of Fire Alarms, and pro-
=viding for the appointment of the necessary Officers to su-= January 24. 1853.
=perintend the same. Sent down for concurrence. Came up
concurred January 27.

On the communication of N. E. Glass Co.
the New England Glass Company respecting the condition of Bullaw March
Bullaw March Street the Committee on Paving reported that no Read.
further action is necessary. Read and accepted.

On motion of Alderman Hall Warrants
the papers in relation to the issuing of Warrants for Ward for Ward
Meetings for the election of an Alderman and certain Ward meetings.
Officers, were taken from the table when Alderman Rich pro-
=posed the following order for the one previously offered by him-
Ordered: That Warrants be issued for meetings of the Legal
voters of the City of Boston in their respective Wards on Mon-
=day the 31st day of January instant at 8 o'clock, A.M. then
and there to give in their ballots for one Alderman, being
an inhabitant of said City in place of Lyman Perry Alder-
=man elect, deceased.- Also, authorizing the voters of the follow-
=ing Wards to fill the vacancies in those Wards, as follows.-
Ward 3. Three members of the Common Council in place of
Jno. G. Tucker, Chas. Hill and Thos. T. Emerson who is
=sue to have been illegally chosen. Ward 9. One member of
the Common Council, to complete the number required by law.
Ward 10. A Warden, Clerk, Two Inspectors of Elections and two
members of the Common Council, to complete the number re
=quired by law. The Polls to be kept open until 4 o'clock, P.M.
Which order was read and adopted. A motion to insert Tuesday

30 at 9 A.M. and one to insert Monday at 9 A.M. having been made and lost.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four O'clock P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Wednesday the Twenty sixth day of January A.D. 1853

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Fast and James.

Union Musical Institute

Petition of the Union Musical Institute for leave to give Concerts at South Boston Lyceum Hall. Referred to the Committee on Licenses with full power.

Massachusetts Academy of Fine Arts.

On the petition of the Massachusetts Academy of Fine Arts &c. the Committee on Licenses reported that leave be granted. Read and accepted.

Leave was granted to 3f.
Marty Mc. Tighe to move a wooden building from Springfield Jan. 26 1853.
Mad to Roxbury. Mr. Tighe

The joint Special Committee who were directed to consider and report what disposition should be made of the several subjects embraced in the Address of His Honor the Mayor, having attended to that duty, recommended the passage of the following Orders. Read, accepted and the orders passed as follows.— Mayors Address.

Ordered: That so much of the Mayors Address as relates to the subject of Truant Children be referred to the Mayor. So much as relates to the Public Garden be referred to the Committee on the Common and Public Squares;— and so much as relates to Sewers and Drains, the Fire Department, Burials, and Lamps, be referred to the Standing Committees on those subjects respectively. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred January 27th Truants— Garden— Sewers & Drains— Fire Department— Burials— Lamps.

Ordered: That so much of the Mayors Address as refers to the Cochituate Water Works,— Public Schools— and Public Library, be referred to the joint Standing Committees on those subjects respectively. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred January 27th Water— Schools— Library.

Ordered: That so much of the Mayors Address as relates to the City Debt be referred to the Committee on Finance— and so much as relates to the House of Correction be referred to the Committee on the Institutions City Debt— House of Correction

38 at South Boston and Deer Island. Sent down for concurrence.
January 26. 1853. Came up concurred January 27th

Ordered: That Aldermen Gary

Lands. and Frost with such as the Common Council may join be a Special Committee to consider and report upon so much of the Mayor's Address as relates to the Public Lands. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred January 27th and Messrs. Tilton, Beal and Balch were joined.

Police & Watch. Ordered, That so much of the Mayor's Address as relates to the Police and Watch be referred to Aldermen Rich and Whiting with such as the Common Council may join to consider and report thereon. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred January 27. and Messrs. Durant, Breed and Thorndike were joined.

Deer Island Ordered: That so much of the Address of His Honor, the Mayor, as relates to the Deer Island establishment be referred to Aldermen Sleeper and White with such as the Common Council may join to consider and report thereon. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred January 27. and Messrs Nicolson, Rayner and Jenkins were joined.

Paving & Internal Health. Ordered: That so much of the Address of His Honor, the Mayor, as relates to the subjects of Paving and Internal Health be referred to Aldermen Sleeper and Rich with such as the Common Council may join to consider and report thereon. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred January 27th Messrs Durant, Tenney & Bird were joined

Ordered: That so much of 39.
the Address of His Honor, the Mayor, as relates to the Boston Jan.y 26. 1853.
Lunatic Hospital be referred to the Mayor and Alderman Referred.
Whiting, with such as the Common Council may join, to con
sider and report thereon. Sent down for concurrence. Came
up concurred January 27th and Messrs. Adams, Russell and
Warren were joined.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'Clock, P.M.

At a Special Meeting of the
Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held
at City Hall on Thursday the Twenty seventh day of Janu
-ry, Anno Domini, 1853.

Present,
The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Curry.

Petition to Legislature by Benja. Mount Wash.
-min T. Reed and others, and an Order & Notice thereon Avenue.
respecting a new Avenue to South Boston. Referred to the
Committee on the Harbor. Sent down for concurrence. Came
up concurred.

January 27, 1853. House of Correction.

The Special Committee to whom was referred the Communication of the Overseers of the House of Correction, asking for a further appropriation for the completion of the Work Shops and Chapel, having considered the subject, report; That the appropriation made last year for erecting a Workshop and Chapel, was $6000, being all that was asked for. But it now appears that the Board of Overseers have gone on with the work until their expenditures have exceeded the sum appropriated between one and two thousand dollars. Although the work which has been done appears to have been well and economically done, and no more than was considered by the Board as absolutely necessary, your Committee think that no expenditures should have been incurred beyond the amount placed at their disposal, but in consideration that the immediate completion of the work is now the best economy for the City, they would recommend that a further sum of $4000. as asked for, be placed at their disposal, and they accordingly offer the following order. For the Committee. Benjamin James, Chairman. Ordered: That a further appropriation of Four thousand dollars be and it is hereby made, for the completion of the Work Shops and Chapel at the House of Correction. Read, accepted and the order passed.

Tukey

Petition of Francis Tukey, and a hundred others for the use of Faneuil Hall on Jan^{y} 29th instant for the purpose of holding a political meeting therein. Read & referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board with full power.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock. P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the Thirty first day of January, Anno Domini, 1853.

Present.

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Petition of the Charitable Association of the Boston Fire Department that the Sum [illegible] members of the Department now in the City Treasury be paid to said Society. Read and referred to Aldermen Cary, Rich and Whiting with such as the Common Council may join to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred February 3d and Messrs Drury, Thacher, J. C. Rice, Hall and Burnham were joined. — Charitable Association of the Fire Department.

Petition of the Webster Artillery for approval of their organization as a Military Company was read and thereupon it was Resolved: That the organization of the Military Company called the Webster Artillery, being Company F. of the Fifth Regiment, First Brigade, First Division, Massachusetts Volunteer Militia be and the same is hereby approved by this Board. — Webster Artillery.

The Superintendent of Common Sewers presented to the Board, schedules of the cost of the construction of Common Sewers in Border Street, and in Orleans Street which were referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains. — Border St: Orleans St:

Petition of the New North Religious Society, that their Bell, injured in the service of the City, may be replaced. Referred to the Committee on Bells and Clocks. — New North Society.

January 31, 1853.

Thorndike. Petition of William H. Thorndike, and others, that the flood gates be replaced on the common sewers on Bremen Street and Decatur Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains.

Burnell. Petition of Wellington Burnell and others to be compensated for the damage sustained by them from raising the grade of Shawmut Avenue. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Keenan The Special Committee of this Board to whom was referred the petition of M. H. Keenan and others for approval of their organization as a Military Corps, reported the following Resolve;- Resolved: That the organization of the Artillery Company G. of the Fifth Regiment, First Brigade, First Division, Massachusetts Volunteer Militia, be and the same is hereby approved by this Board. Read, accepted and the Resolve passed.

Watchman. On nomination by the Mayor.

Police. J. A. Foster was appointed on the Watch; and Leonard W. Mulliken was appointed a Special Police Officer for Ritchie Hall.

Harbor. Ordered: That His Honor, the Mayor be, and he is hereby authorized and requested to procure for and at the expense of the City, a copy of so much of the charts and reports of the late coast survey of the United States, as relates to Boston Harbor, extending from the City to Minot's Ledge, provided, that the same can be obtained at a reasonable price. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred January 10th

Ordered: That the Chief of Police January 31. 1853.
be and he is hereby instructed to cause complaints to be en- Lords' Day.
-tered in the Police Court against all persons who violate
the laws of the Commonwealth by selling spirituous or in-
-toxicating liquors on the Lords day.

An Ordinance in addition Water
to an Ordinance in relation to Water Rates. Referred in Com- Rates.
-mon Council to the Committee on Ordinances, came up for
concurrence. Read and nonconcurred, and referred to the Com-
-mittee on Water. Sent down for concurrence. Came up con-
-curred. February 3d

Ordered: That a message Convention
be sent to the Common Council proposing a Convention of
both branches of the City Council on Thursday next at 7½
o'clock, P. M. for the purpose of determining the number of Rep-
-egates it is expedient to send to the Convention to be holden
on the first Wednesday in May next for the purpose of revis-
-ing or altering the Constitution of Government of this Com-
-monwealth.

On the petition of Luther Parks
Parks for leave to run ropes under the sidewalk in front of
his store in Broad Street, the Committee on Paving reported
that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Read & accepted.

On the petition of the Union Union
Musical Society for leave to give Concerts at South Boston, Musical
the Committee on Licenses reported that the prayer of the pe- Society.
-titioners be granted. Read and accepted.

January 31 1853 Physician.

Report of the Port Physician for the quarter ending December 31. 1853. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Read and placed on file.

Library

Ordered: That the Mayor be authorized to petition the Legislature for any new powers that may be necessary in order to carry out the intention of the City Council in relation to the Public Library. Read in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Lunatic Asylum

Ordered: That the joint Special Committee on so much of the Mayor's inaugural address as refers to a new Lunatic Asylum, be instructed to inquire and report if the action of the last Legislature in relation to Alien Paupers will not relieve the City from this class now in the present Asylum and report the number of such now there, and also the number of Lunatics of American birth. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

House of Correction.

Communication from the City Auditor Stating that an addition is needed to the appropriation for the House of Correction. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Finance. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

City Charter

Alderman Frost presented the following Preamble and Orders:- Whereas there are conflicting opinions among the members of the City Government and among the Electors of the several wards in the City in relation to the duties and powers of the respective City & Ward

Officers: And whereas the present City Charter, consisting of the original Act of 1821. with the numerous amendatory acts which have accumulated since that period, constitutes a fragmentary constitution, of difficult interpretation by the people, who are principally invited to its creation and not easily construed by those whose duty it is to execute its mandates. Therefore, Ordered: That His Honor, the Mayor, Alderman together with such as the Common Council may join be a committee to revise the City Charter and to report to the City Council a draft of the same in a more condensed and simplified form with such additions and alterations to the provisions of the present Charter as experience and the necessities of the City may in their judgement require. Ordered: That the Report of the Committee aforesaid shall first be presented to the City Solicitor for his examination as to its legal and constitutional provisions. And if the said Solicitor shall approve the same, it shall be submitted to the City Council for their approval. And if the same shall be so approved it shall be the duty of the Mayor, in behalf of the City, to petition the Legislature for the enactment of such Bill, to be denominated the Revised and Amended Charter of the City of Boston. Read and laid on the table.

Ordered: That the Mayor, under the advice of the Committee on Public Lands be authorized to petition the Legislature for an extension of the Charter for the Rail Road on South Bay. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

South Bay.

January 31. 1853. Appropriations

Ordered: That the Auditor of Accounts be authorized to make the following transfers of Appropriations, viz: Add to Common Council Fifteen hundred dollars, and to Public Buildings Twenty five hundred dollars by transferring these amounts from the Reserved Fund. Add to Gas Fixtures, One thousand dollars by transferring that amount from the appropriation for Lamps. Add to Widening Streets, by transfer from Unliquidated Claims, Ten thousand dollars. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Registrar.

The Annual Report of the City Registrar for 1852 containing a statement of the Births, Marriages and Deaths during that year, was received. Laid on the Table and ordered to be printed.

Fuller

Ordered: That the Salary of Francis A. Fuller be continued and paid to the close of the present financial year. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred

Minors Hawkers & Pedlers.

Ordered: That the Mayor and Aldermen be, and they hereby are, authorized to restrain the sale, by Minors, of any goods wares or merchandize, in accordance with the provisions of the Act of the Legislature of this Commonwealth, passed the sixteenth of April in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and forty six, entitled an "Act concerning Hawkers & Pedlers". Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Report of the City Physician 47.

for the quarter ending December 31. 1853. Came up from Jan.y 31. 1853.
the Common Council, and ordered to be printed. Read and Physician
recommitted.

Adjourned to Tuesday next (tomorrow) at 12 o'clock M.

At a meeting of the Board
of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City
Hall on Tuesday the First day of February. A. D. 1853.

Present.

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Keeler.

On motion of Alderman Alderman-
Whiting- Aldermen Whiting, Rich and White were appointed Votes for-
a Committee to examine the returns of votes given in the
several Wards on January 31st for an Alderman in place
of Lyman Perry, Esquire, (Alderman elect) deceased- Said
Committee having attended to that duty, reported, that the
votes were correctly recorded in the book kept for that purpose-
that the whole number of votes was 7958

48 Teaspay for re-choice 5980

Lempton Reed has 4936

and he is accordingly elected an Alderman of the City for the present year. Read and accepted.

Ordered: That the foregoing re= sult be published according to law and that Mr. Reed be notified of his election.

Qualified. Mr. Reed being present was duly qualified by His Honor, the Mayor, who administered to him the customary oaths.

Adjourned to Wednesday next (tomorrow) at 3 o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Wednesday the Second day of February A.D. 1853.

Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen Keep= er and Cary.

Committees The Mayor announced the following changes in the Standing Committees:-

Streets. Alderman James having resign= ed as a member of the committee on Laying out and Widen= ing Streets, Alderman Reed was appointed in his place.

Alderman White having de= 4h.
=clined serving on the Joint Standing Committee on Ordi= Feb. 2. 1853.
=nances_ Alderman Reed was appointed in his place. Sent Ordinances.
down.

Alderman Sleeper having Public
declined serving on the Joint Standing Committee on Instruction.
Public Instruction. Alderman Reed was appointed in
his place. Sent down.

Alderman Rich having de= Claims
=clined serving on the Joint Standing Committee on Claims_
Alderman Reed was appointed in his place. Sent down.

A message was received from School
the School Committee requesting this Board to assign Mon= Committee.
=day next at 4½ o'Clock, P.M. as the time for forming a
Convention with that Body in order to elect a member of
the School Committee in place of Thomas M. Chandler of
Ward 1. resigned. Read and voted that this Board concur
in the above proposition

The Committee on the Harbor Reed
to whom was referred the Order of Notice from the Legisla= Mount Wash.
=ture on the petition of Benjamin T. Reed and others respect= Avenue.
=ing a New Avenue to South Boston, Report the following
order. For the Committee, Benjamin James, Chairman. Or
=dered; That the City Solicitor be and he is hereby author=
=ized to appear before the appropriate Legislative Committee
on the Ninth of February instant, and to see that the
rights of the City are not infringed by the construction of
the proposed Avenue to South Boston. Passed. Sent down for
Concurrence.

Feb. 2, 1853. Harbor Commissioners.

The Committee on the Harbor to whom was referred the communication from the Boston Marine Society, with certain resolutions adopted by that Body respecting the protection of Long Island Head in Boston Harbor and the Ship Channels leading thence to the ocean, beg leave to offer the following Order. For the Committee Benjamin James, Chairman. Ordered; That the City Solicitor be authorized and requested, in behalf of the City and under the direction of the Committee on the Harbor, to prepare a Memorial to Congress, setting forth the facts in relation to the wearing away of the Islands and Headlands, and the filling up of the main Ship Channels in the Harbor, shewing the necessity of large appropriations for their protection: And that the Mayor be requested to sign the same and transmit it to Hon: William Appleton, Member of Congress for the Fifth District. Read, accepted and the order passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, Feb.y 3d

East Boston Ferry Co.

The Acts and doings of the East Boston Ferry Company from June 30. 1852. to January 1. 1853. were received this day & placed on file.

McKay. East Boston Ferry.

Agreeably to assignment the Board took up the subject of Donald McKay's petition, which asks that the Mayor and Aldermen would compel the Directors of the East Boston Ferry company to provide additional accommodations for the benefit of the Public: and after a hearing of both parties upon the subject, the petitioners being represented by Benjamin Pond and Ebenezer Atkins,

Esquire, and the Ferry Company by James B. Allen, Esquire) 51.
the following question of law was raised, which on motion
of Alderman White was directed to be submitted to the City
Solicitor.. viz: "Whether the present Charter of the East Boston
Ferry Company gives to the Mayor and Aldermen the pow-
-er to compel the said Company to furnish further accom-
-modations to the Public by providing a new Ferry." The fur-
-ther hearing on the subject was then postponed until the
opinion of the City Solicitor should be declared; and the
Board then

Adjourned to Thursday next at 7½ Oclock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board
of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City
Hall on Thursday the Third day of February A.D. 1853.

Present

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Aldermen
Seaver, James, Rich and Gray.

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Dupee, and Mical Tubbs members of the Common Coun- Council.
[illegible]
colleague Mr. Sprague, and Messrs John F. Bannister and qualified.
Joel Richards members elect from Ward 10 attended by
their colleague Mr. Homer; and Mr. Peter C. Jones member
elect from Ward No 9. attended by his colleague Mr. Tuck-
were duly qualified by His Honor, the Mayor, who ad-

52. -ministered to them the customary oaths of office.

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Convention

The Common Council having concurred with this Board in the proposition to form a Convention for the purpose of determining the number of delegates it is expedient to send to the Convention for revising the Constitution of this Commonwealth, the Board proceeded to the Chamber of the Common Council, and having assembled in

Convention

Delegates to State convention.

the Proclamation of His Excellency the Governor, authorizing the Convention of Delegates was read by the City Clerk. Whereupon Mr Plummer of Ward 7. offered the following Resolve & Order, viz: Resolved, by the Mayor, Aldermen and Common Council in Convention assembled, that it is expedient for the City to send Forty four Delegates to the Convention to be holden on the first Wednesday in May next for the purpose of altering or revising the Constitution of Government of this Commonwealth.

Ordered: That the City Clerk be directed to publish the foregoing determination. Read and accepted.

The business of the Convention having been accomplished, the two branches separated and the Mayor and Aldermen

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'Clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Seventh day of February, A. D. 1853.

Present

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Petition of Ephraim Harrington and others to be paid for land taken from them in Church Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets. — Harrington. Church Street.

Petition of John Odin, Jr. and others — Charles F. Barnard and others, Edward G. Loring and others for the extension of Warren Street to Boylston Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets. — Odin. Warren St.

Remonstrance of M. M. Stanfield and others against the extension of Warren Street to Boylston Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets. — Stanfield. Warren St.

Order of Notice on the petition of Solomon Piper to the Legislature for leave to extend his Wharf. Referred to the Committee on the Harbor. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concured Feb^{y} 10th — Piper

Order of Notice on the petition of Thomas Richardson to the Legislature for leave to extend his Wharf. Referred to the Committee on the Harbor. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concured Feb^{y} 10th — Richardson

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Telegraph Hill.

Petition of William I. Thack=
=er and others, that Telegraph Hill may be known and
called "Webster Park". Referred to the Committee on Common
and Mall's.

Mc Kay

Petition of Donald Mc Kay, &
others, that Lamps be placed and lighted on White, Mon=
=mouth, Border, and Marion Streets, East Boston. Referred
to the Committee on Lamps.

Kelsey.

Petition of A. H. Kelsey to have
the restrictions on the lot of land corner of Causeway and
Lancaster Streets removed. Referred to the Committee on
Public Lands with full power. Sent down for concurrence.
came up concurred Feb. 10th

Cole.

Drown.

Petition of Merrill Cole, and others,
that John G. Drown be appointed a Field Driver and Pound
Keeper at East Boston. Read and laid on the table.

Whitney.

Tremont St:

Petition of James A. Whitney to be
compensated the damage sustained by him in consequence
of raising the grade of Tremont Street. Referred to the Com=
mittee on Paving.

Monmouth,

Benton,

Chadbourn

Eutaw,

New Streets.

The Superintendent of Common
Sewers presented to the Board Schedules of the cost of the con=
=truction [illegible] Monmouth Benton Chadbourn
and Eutaw Streets also for the construction of the Common
Sewer in New Street, near Summer Street. Referred to the
Committee on Sewers and Drains.

Agreeably to assignment the Board proceeded to form a Convention with the School Committee in the Chamber of the latter body, for the purpose of electing a member of the School Committee in place of Thomas H. Chandler of Ward 1. resigned, and being assembled In Convention. Feb. 7. 1853. School Committee.

The Act of May 24. 1851. authorizing the mode of filling vacancies in the School Committee was read by the City Clerk. Alderman Reed, & Messrs. Cameron and Kent of the School Committee were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count the votes for a member of the School Committee, who having attended to that duty, reported, that the whole number of ballots was 25. Necessary for a choice 13. William H. Leonard Jr. had 24. and he was accordingly elected. The business of the Convention having been accomplished the several branches separated.

On the petition of William Evans for leave to set up a Stationary Steam Engine at the corner of Kneeland and Utica Streets, the Committee on Steam Engines reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted. Evans

The Board proceeded by ballot to the choice of a Superintendent of the North Free Bridge, and the ballots being taken and counted it appeared that Samuel Jenkins was elected on the part of this Board. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Feb. 10th North Free Bridge. Superintendent

Feb. 7. 1853. South Free Bridge.

The ballots having been taken and counted for a Superintendent of the South Free Bridge, it appeared that Abner J. Taffield was elected on the part of this Board. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred February 10th

East Boston and Chelsea Free Bridge.

The ballots having been taken and counted for a Superintendent of the East Boston and Chelsea Free Bridge it appeared that Edward I. Stowers was elected on the part of this Board. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Feb 10th

Lamps.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Lamps be instructed to report to this Board, the cause of delay in lighting the lamps on our streets, and of their being extinguished at times at too early an hour in the morning; that he be instructed also, to have every City Lamp lighted by dark when there is no moonlight in the time of a moon and at other times, and to have them kept burning while daylight or under such circumstances as sufficient light from the moon, and that he be directed to keep a record of the time at which he orders them lit and extinguished. Ordered: That every Policeman and Watchman who may be on duty at the time of lighting up or putting out the lights, take note of that time, and report the same, with all irregularities, and deficiencies of light, to his respective officer, and that said officer render said account to the Mayor, in his daily report of the doings of the Police or Watch.

The Common Council having amended the order of this Board dated Feb. 2d respecting South Boston Avenue, so that the same should read as follows viz: Ordered, That the City Solicitor be and he is hereby authorized & appointed to appear before the Joint Standing Committee, under the direction of the Committee on the Harbor, on the Ninth of February instant and to see that the rights of the City are not infringed by the construction of the proposed Avenue to South Boston. Said action came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Feb. 7. 1853. Mount Washington Avenue

On the notices of intention to build by G. F. F. Bryant on Winter Street, and by Page & Whidden on corner of Milk and Broad Streets reported that no further action be necessary in the matter, but that the usual coal hole and gratings be referred to the Committee on Paving. Read, accepted and referred accordingly. Bryant. Page & al.

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred the petition of the Webster Artillery for an Armory and also an order of the City Council requesting this Committee to consider the expediency of providing the several militia Companies with suitable Armories, respectfully Report. That inasmuch as the Statutes of the Commonwealth make it imperative on towns and cities to provide Armories for the Militia Companies organized within their limits, it became necessary for your Committee to find out what they needed, which would furnish accommodation for Armories

38 the new companies which recently been established in this
Feb. 7. 1853 city. Your Committee have therefore authorized the building,
formerly occupied by the Endicott School, to be fitted up for
Armories for the several companies hereinafter named—
which building, together with the rooms elsewhere occupied
for Armories, provides sufficient accommodations for all the
Volunteer Troops within this City. Rooms have been assign=
=ed in the Endicott School Building to the Webster Artillery—
the Columbian Artillery— the Bay State Artillery— and the Boston
Light Dragoons; besides a suitable room for a Work Shop and
another for a Drill Room. All of which is respectfully submit=
=ted. Benjamin James, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent
down for concurrence. Came up concurred, February 10th

Minors— Rules for licensing. Ordered: That no person under the age of twenty one years, shall go about selling or expos=
=ing to sale in the City of Boston, any fruits, confectioner=
=ies or provisions whatever, live animals, brooms, agricultur=
=al implements, fuel, newspapers, books or pamphlets, agricul=
tural products of the United States, the products of his own
labor, or any labor of his own family, without license
from the Mayor and Aldermen, in accordance with an
Act of the Legislature of this Commonwealth, passed April
16, 1846. entitled "An Act concerning Hawkers and Pedlars".
Ordered: That no minor shall be licensed, except upon
the application of his parent, guardian or next friend. Or=
=dered: That no minor shall be licensed (except by a
special vote of this Board) unless he shall have attended
school at least three months in the twelve months next pre=

=ceding in the manner provided for in an Act passed 16th day of April 1836 entitled "An Act for the better instruction of Children in Manufacturing Corporations." Ordered: That all licenses shall specify the articles to be sold, and the time & place of selling them. Ordered: that any violation of the laws of the State, the Ordinances of the City, or of any special conditions inserted in the certificate of license, shall operate as a forfeiture of said license the same to be annulled on proof to this Board. Ordered: That all license granted to Minors for the sale of any fruits or provisions whatever, live animals brooms, agricultural implements, fuel, newspapers, books or pamphlets, agricultural products of the United States, the products of his own labor, or any labor of his own family, for which licenses are by law required to be granted by this Board, shall be granted upon the fol=lowing terms and conditions which shall be inserted in the certificate, with such other conditions and regulations as this Board may deem expedient, viz: 1. That each minor licensed by the board of Aldermen shall at all times when on his stand, wear a leather badge upon his hat or cap with the word "Licensed" in brass and polished letters, of not less than one inch in size) fastened thereon. 2. That no minor so licensed shall sell any articles for which he may be li=censed at any other time or in any other place than that mentioned in his license. 3. That minors so licensed shall not during the hours mentioned in their licenses congregate together, make any loud noise or in any other way disturb or annoy people as they pass. 4. That all licenses granted shall be for a definite period, and all licenses which are

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60 not for a shorter period shall terminate at the expiration
Feb. 7. 1853 of the Municipal year, on the first day of January in each
successive year, and all licenses which are not expressed
for a shorter period shall extend to the close of the Municipal
year. 5. That the violation of the laws of the State, the Ordin-
ances of the City or the terms of and conditions herein pre-
scribed, or which may hereafter be prescribed shall operate
as a forfeiture of this license, to be annulled upon proof of
the same to this Board. 6. That each minor so licensed
shall carry his license with him and present the same to
any officer of the City, for inspection, when required so to do,
and the same shall not be transferred, exchanged, borrow-
ed or lent on pain of forfeiture thereof.

Gifford Ordered: That there be paid to
Alden Gifford the sum of Eight hundred and thirty dollars
in full for all his claims and demands against the City,
as set forth in a memorial to the City Council dated De-
cember 4. 1851. agreeably to the provisions of an award made
on the fifth day of February instant, by Otis Rich, George B.
Upton and Charles W. Cartwright, Esquires, said sum to be
charged to the appropriation for the Cochituate Water Works.
Ordered: That there be paid to Otis Rich, George B. Upton and
Charles W. Cartwright Esquires the sum of Sixty dollars in
full for their services as arbitrators between the City of Boston
and Alden Gifford as aforesaid, said sum to be charged
to the appropriation for the Cochituate Water Works. Sent down
for concurrence. Came up concurred. February 17th

Buildings to whom was referred the petition of A. G. Sanborn Feb. 7. 1853.
& to be paid for extra materials &c. furnished for a School Sanborn.
house in Southac Street. have considered the subject and re-
spectfully report. That they find the School House in Southac
Street, for which Mr Sanborn alleges he furnished the extra
Stone, and for which stone he now petitions for payment, was
contracted to be built by Mr Stephen Stoddard who was to
furnish all the materials; that Mr. Sanborn according
to his own Statement contracted with Mr. Stoddard and not
with the City and consequently in this matter he is not
known to the City Government: Therefore your Committee
report leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Benjamin
James, chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for con-
currence. Came up concurred Feb. 10. 1853.

Ordered: That the Superin Exchange
tendent of Streets be directed to have the sidewalk on the Street.
easterly side of Exchange Street, laid throughout that side
of the street in conformity with that part now being laid
in front of Dodge Stores now building.

Alderman Whiting from the Petitions
Special Committee to whom was referred an Order concern- &c
ing the expediency of making a new regulation respecting
the Watchmen's fees as Witnesses in the Police and Municipal
Courts reported an Order authorizing the payment of such fees
into the City Treasury. Read and laid on the Table

The Report of the Surveyor

cc. 7. 1853. General Number containing the number of Lumber
Lumber. surveyed by his Deputies for the year ending February 1st 1853.
was received and ordered to be laid on the table and printed

The City Clerks quarterly report
City Clerk. shewing that he had received and paid into the City Treas-
ury for the quarter ending Feb. 1st the sum of $317.44.— the

City Registrar's quarterly report
City Registrar. shewing that he had received and paid into the Treasury
for the same period $975.25. the

Hayweigher's report for the same
Hayweigher period shewing that he had received the sum of $802.08.—
six per cent & report be also paid into the City Treasury
Read and sent down. In Common Council placed on file.

The Report of the Superintendent
Faneuil Hall Market. of Faneuil Hall Market for the quarter ending February 1st
1853. shewing that he had received and paid into the City Treas-
ury the sum of $119.80. was read and placed on file.

Ordered: That the Report of the
Children Committee on Ordinances respecting the administration of
the Statute and Ordinance in relation to Truant Children
being City Document No 71. for 1852.) be taken from the files of the
last year and referred to the Joint Standing Committee on
Ordinances with instructions to consider and report what
changes if any are desirable in said Statute or Ordinance.

to render the execution of either more efficient than at present. 63.
Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, February 10th Feb. 7. 1853.

Notice was received from Treasury-
the Common Council that Mr. Richards had been appointed Instruction-
on the Committee on the Treasury Department. - Mr Hinds Fuel.
on the Committee on Public Instruction - and Mr N.D. Gardiner
on the Committee on Fuel.

Ordered: That the Committee Placards.
on Ordinances consider and report what action is necessary
to prevent the posting of Placards upon Public or Private Build-
-ings. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence.
Read and concurred.

The ballots being taken and Library
counted for Trustees of the Public Library, it appeared that
Edward Everett, George Tickner, John P. Bigelow, Nathaniel
B. Shurtleff, Thomas G. Appleton, Sampson Reed, and George W.
Warren were elected in concurrence with the Common Coun-
-cil.

Ordered: That the Treasurer Loan
be authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Committee
on Finance, a sum not exceeding Seventeen thousand dol
-lars, and that the same be added to the appropriation for In-
-cidental Expenses and Miscellaneous Claims. Passed in Com-
-mon Council. Yeas 43. Nays 2. Came up for concurrence. Read
and concurred. - Yeas - The Mayor, Aldermen Sleeper, James
Reed, Rich, Whiting, White and Frost 8. Nays, none.

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Feb. 7. 1853. Beadel Ave.

Whereas, pursuant to an Order of this Board, passed on the Eighteenth day of October 1852. public notice thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer has been constructed in Border Street, the cost of which was Nine hundred and fifty eight dollars and nine cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains Seven hundred and eighteen dollars 57/100 to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: It is therefore, Ordered, that the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or agents.

Orleans Street.

Whereas, pursuant to an Order of this Board, passed on the twenty seventh day of September 1852. public notice thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer has been constructed in Orleans, from Webster to Centre Street the cost of which was One hundred and three dollars and eight cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains Seventy seven dollars 31/100 to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: It is therefore Ordered, that the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given

to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees. 65.

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Alderman White offered Unlicensed
the following order_ Ordered: That the Chief of Police be and houses.
he is hereby ordered to take more effective measures to enforce
the law against selling intoxicating liquor without a
license. Read and laid on the table.

On nomination by the Truants
Mayor Silas Warren, Nathaniel Seaver, and William T. Reed, Officers for
were appointed by the Board as Officers to take charge of
Truant Children and absentees from School.

Thomas W. Neal was appoint- Watchman
-ed a Watchman of the City.

The Committee on Sewers Sewers
and Drains, to whom was referred so much of the Mayors & Drains.
Address as relates to Sewers and Drains_ having considered
the subject report, that all the work which is necessary to
be done under that head is in good hands, and is making
a proper progress under the direction of the Committee upon
that subject_ and that therefore no further action is necessa-
-ry thereon. For the Committee, J. Sleeper, Chairman. Read &
accepted.

Whereas George W. Crockett has Crockett
given notice to this Board of his intention to erect a building Pearl St.
on Pearl Street, in the said city; and, in the opinion of
the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants
require that the said street should be widened at the place
described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered,

06 That due notice be given to the said George W. Crockett, that
Feb. 7. 1853 this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Street — and that Monday, the fourteenth day of February instant at four o'clock, P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Hobbs & Rall. Whereas Hobbs & Rall
Hawkins Street. have given notice to this Board of their intention to erect buildings on Hawkins Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Hobbs and Rall that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Street — and that Monday, the fourteenth day of February instant at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Barnard — Ivers Street. Whereas John M. Barnard has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Ivers Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said John M. Barnard that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as

aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Street, and 67.
that Monday, the fourteenth day of February instant at 4 Feb. 7, 1853.
o'clock, P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objection
which may be made thereto.

Whereas Isaac Stebbins has Stebbins
given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings Charter St.
on Charter Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the
Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require
that the said Street should be widened at the place describ-
ed in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due
notice be given to the said Isaac Stebbins that this Board in-
tend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a part
of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and
laying out the same as a public Street, and that Monday,
the fourteenth day of February instant at four o'clock, P.M.,
is assigned as the time for hearing any objection which may
be made thereto.

Whereas Nathan Matthews Matthews
has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect build- Clark Street
-ings on Clark Street, in the said City; and, in the opin-
-ion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabi-
-tants require that the said Street should be widened at
the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby
Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Nathan Mat-
-thews that this Board intend to widen the street before men-
-tioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon
as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street, and
that Monday, the fourteenth day of February instant at four
o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objection
which may be made thereto.

Feb. 7. 1833. Whitwell Market Square

Whereas Henry Whitwell has petitioned this Board for the discontinuance of a part of Market Square in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and and convenience of the inhabitants require that a part of the said Market Square should be discontinued at the place described in the said petition, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Henry Whitwell, and to John Bradford Edward Dole and William H. Millon that this Board intend to discontinue a part of the said Market Square, as aforesaid, as a public street, and that Monday, the fourteenth day of February instant at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of by.
Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City
Hall on Monday the fourteenth day of February, A.D. 1853

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Hooper.

Petition of Jesse Tirrell, Jr. & others, Tirrell.
that an additional officer may be stationed on or near Sea Truants.
Street to look after Truant Children and absentees from School.
Referred to the Mayor.

Petition of Darius Wellington for Wellington.
leave to open a cellar way at No. 1 Sudbury Street; and a Quincy.
remonstrance of Josiah Quincy, Jr. and others, against the pro- Exchange St.
posed change in the width of the sidewalk in Exchange Street.
Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of William Kelben Kelben.
for leave to give a Concert at Lyceum Hall, South Boston; Philbrick.
of John Philbrick for appointment as an Auctioneer, of Atherton Atherton.
and Walker for an Auctioneer's license. Referred to the Com-
mittee on Licenses.

Petition of Francis J. Oliver. Oliver
for an abatement of his taxes. Referred to the Committee on
the Assessors' Department. Sent down for concurrence. Came
up concurred [illegible]

Communication from the As- Taxes on
sessors' Department respecting taxes on Mortgaged Real Es- Mortgaged
tate in possession of the Commonwealth. Referred to the Mayor Real Estate
with full power.

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Feb. 14. 1853. Dow. Petition of James B. Dow, and others for the opening of a new Street in continuation of Chester Square. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Wentworth. Petition of Enoch Wentworth to be paid for land taken to widen Beverly Stud. Referred to the Committee on Strab.

Jellyplace Petition of William Jellyplace, & others that the Court leading from Everett Street may be called and known as "Paige Place". Referred to the Committee on Stred.

Paige- Wales- Webster Park. Petition of James W. Paige & others & Thomas B. Wales, jr. and others, that the "Public Garden" so called, may be named and known as "Webster Park". Referred to the Committee on Common and Malls.

Drake Order of Notice on petition of Tisdale Drake to the Legislature for leave to extend his wharf. Referred to the Committee on the Harbor. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. February 17th

Lowell Rail Road Order of Notice on petition to the Legislature for a branch road across Charles River by the Boston and Lowell Rail Road &c. Referred to the Committee on the Harbor. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. Feb. 17th

Second Stead. The Superintendent of Sewers presented to the Board a Schedule of Assessments for the construction of the Common Sewer in Second Stead, and 2.

Read. Referred to the Committee on Sewers & Drains 71.

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Petition of the Register of Deeds Register
for the County of Suffolk, praying that certain Indices in of Deeds.
his office may be copied and thereupon Ordered
that the Register of Deeds be authorized under the direction
of the Committee on County Accounts to cause copies of the In-
dices in his office to be made, and that the expense thereof
be charged to County Expenses - the amount not to exceed
the sum of five hundred dollars.

Petition of Donald McKay, McKay
and others, asking leave to withdraw their former memorial East Boston
respecting the Ferry accommodations to East Boston - Read Ferry
and thereupon ordered as follows. In the matter of the peti-
tion of Donald McKay and others for additional Ferry
accommodations at the East Boston Ferry - it now appear-
ing to this Board that the said petitioners ask leave to
withdraw their said petition, and that no further action
thereon be had, it is ordered that they have leave to with-
draw the same.

Petition of Peter H. Walker for Walker.
appointment as Sealer of Weights and Measures. Read and
referred to Aldermen Reed, Fast and Rich.

On motion of Alderman Fast, Etc.
the petition of Morrill Cole and others, that John G. Brown be ap-
pointed a Field Driver of the City of Boston was taken from
the table and referred to the foregoing Committee.

Ordered: That the Committee

Feb. 14. 1853. on laying out and widening Streets be authorized to purchase
Washington the Estate numbered two hundred and eighty eight in Wash-
Street ington Street in the City of Boston: for a sum not exceed-
Estate. ing eighteen thousand dollars, if in their judgement it be
expedient so to do. Passed. Yeas- the Mayor, Aldermen James,
Read, Nick, Whiting, Curry, White and Frost- 8. Nays- none.
Sent down for concurrence

Pearl Street. No person appearing to object to
the proposed widening of Pearl Street near High- said subject
was recommitted to the Committee on Streets, with full power.

Clark No person appearing to object to
Street. the proposed widening of Clark Street, said subject was re-
-committed to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Market No person appearing to object to
Square. the proposed discontinuance of a portion of Market Square.
Said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets
with full power.

Hawkins No person appearing to object to
Street. the proposed widening of Hawkins Street, said subject was
recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Ivers No person appearing to object to
Street. the proposed widening of Ivers Street, said subject was recom-
-mitted to the Committee on Streets with full power.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Charter Street, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power. 73. Feb. 14. 1853. Charter St.

Whereas Hobbs and Pratt have given notice to this Board of their intention to erect buildings on Sudbury Street in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Hobbs and Pratt that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, & laying out the same as a public Street, and that Monday, the twenty first day of February instant, at four o'Clock, P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto. Hobbs & Pratt. Sudbury Street.

Whereas John M. Barnard has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Hawkins Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said John M. Barnard that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Street - and that Monday, the twenty first day of February instant, at four o'block P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing Barnard Hawkins Street

74 any objections which may be made thereto.

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Emerson. Washington Street.

Whereas William P. Emerson has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Washington Street in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said William P. Emerson that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Street - and that Monday, the twenty first day of February instant at four Oclock P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Crockett. High Street.

Whereas George W. Crockett has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on High Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened at the [illegible] Ordered, That due notice be given to the said George W. Crockett that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Street - and that Monday, the twenty first day of February instant, at four Oclock P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Whereas Jonathan Preston 75.

has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect Feb. 14, 1853
Buildings [illegible] Charles Blake on Bennington Street Bennington
in the said City; and in the opinion of the Board, the Washington
safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the Street.
said Street should be widened at the place described in
the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due no-
-tice be given to the said Charles Blake that this Board
intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a part
of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and
laying out the same as a public street - and that Mon-
-day, the twenty first day of February instant, at 4 o'Clock,
P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objection
which may be made thereto.

Ordered, That there be paid Wentworth
to Enoch Wentworth the sum of Sixteen hundred and five
30/100 dollars for land taken to widen Beverly Street, upon his
giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance
and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in con-
-sequence of said taking; and that the same be charged
to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets.

Ordered, That there be paid Neilson
to William Neilson the sum of Nine hundred and seventy three
45/100 dollars for land taken to widen Church Street, upon his
giving to the City a Deed of the same, and an acquit-
-tance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses
in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged
to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets

Feb. 14, 1853. Military Hall.

Resolved: That in consequence of the increase of the Military Companies in our City, & annual additions to the said increase of population, it has become necessary to provide a suitable place of deposit for their arms & accommodations for their members, and a convenient Drill Room, ample to instruct them in the School of the Battalion. Resolved: That the Volunteer Militia of Boston in its present aspect is an honor to our City and deserves fostering with the kindest care and most liberal encouragement. Resolved: That it is expedient to erect a building upon some unappropriated piece of land belonging to the City adequate to accommodate all the companies in Boston for which may be denominated Military Hall, with such conveniences attached as are usually required for the different arms of the service. Read and laid on the table.

Common Council.

A message was received from the Common Council stating that a vacancy exists in that body occasioned by the resignation of Mr. Gardner P. Drury of Ward 11. Read and placed on file.

Committees on Fuel, Char. Assoc" Fire Depart. Institutions.

Notice of the following changes on the part of the Common Council in several of the Joint Standing Committees came up from that Board. Mr. Roberts was appointed on the Committee on Fuel in place of Mr. Drury resigned. Mr. Banister was appointed on the petition of the Charitable Association of the Boston Fire Department in place of Mr. Drury resigned. Mr. Roby was appointed on the Committee on the Institutions at South

Boston and Deer Island, in place of Mr. Bonney resigned. ff.

Read and placed on file. Feb. 14. 1853.

A Communication from the Appropriations.
Auditor stating that additions are needed to the appropria-
tions for Instructors in Grammar Schools_ Internal Health_
Gas Fixtures_ Widening Streets and Unliquidated Claims
for Widening Streets. Referred to the Committee on Finance
in concurrence.

Ordered: That the petition Brinley.
of George Brinley for the repayment of certain taxes therein
mentioned, be taken from the files of the last year and re-
ferred to the Committee on the Assessors' Department. Passed
in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and
concurred.

Resolved, That the city Mathews
and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Clark Street.
Clark Street should be widened and for that purpose it is
necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way
of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Nathan
Mathews_ bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the most
northerly corner of the said premises, at the point where
the easterly line of Ann Street, as established by an order
of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen, dated December
27th 1852. meets the present southerly line of Clark Street;
thence running eastwardly, along said line of Clark
Street, seventy six feet and twenty four hundredths of a
foot, to an angle; thence eastwardly, along said line
Clark Street, fifty feet and twenty six hundredths of a
foot; thence southwardly, along the westerly line of Com

78 mercial Street, seven feet and twenty seven hundredths of
Feb 14. 1853. a foot; thence westwardly, straight, along the proposed line of widening of Clark Street, one hundred and thirty six feet and seventeen hundredths of a foot; and thence northwardly, along said line of Linn Street six feet and forty nine hundredths of a foot, to the point of beginning; containing seven hundred and twenty six square feet, and eighty four hundredths of a square foot, more or less. And whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public Street or way of the said City, according to a plan of the said widening made by E. S. Chesbrough dated February 14. 1853. and deposited in the office of the said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Clark Street, as aforesaid, will amount to three thousand dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous allowances or discontinuances in said Street during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars.

Nathan Matthews Clark Street. Whereas this Board by a Resolve passed the 14th February took a certain parcel of land, therein described, lying on Clark Street and laid out the same as a public Street or way of said City, it is hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to Nathan Matthews and all other persons interested as owners, proprietors, tenants,

occupants, or otherwise, in said land that they cut off, pull down, remove and carry away all buildings, erections and obstructions & every part standing on and projecting over the line of said Clark Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, or, move and set back the same to the said line, and vacate and surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid on or before the first day of March now next ensuing. And in regard thereof, the Chief of Police is hereby directed and empowered forthwith to enter upon said land and cause all buildings, erections and obstructions standing on and projecting over the line of said Clark Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, to be cutt off, pulled down, removed and carried away, or to be moved and set back to said line, and the said land to be vacated and surrendered under the direction of the Committee on Laying out and widening Streets. Feb. 14. 1853.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Charter Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Isaac Stebbins bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the most southerly corner of the said premises, at the point where the proposed line of widening of Charter Street meets the westerly line of Hanover Street; thence running northwesterly, along said line of Hanover Street, eight feet and sixty hundredths of a foot, thence northwesterly, along the said westerly and slightly irregular line of Charter Street, thirty Stebbins Charter St.

80. seven feet and five hundredths of a foot; thence southwest-
Feb. 14. 1853. wardly, along the northwesterly line of land of said Stebbins, one foot and fifty four hundredths of a foot; and thence southeastwardly, along said line of widening, forty six feet and eighty four hundredths of a foot to the point of beginning; containing one hundred and fifty seven square feet, and ninety six hundredths of a square foot, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City - according to a plan of the said widening made by E. F. Whitbrough, dated February 14. 1853. and deposited in the office of the said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Charter Road, as aforesaid, will amount to a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars; which sum together with the amount of estimates & payments heretofore or hereafter to be made for the construction of said street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars.

Stebbins & Charter St. Whereas this Board by a Resolve passed this day took a certain parcel of land, therein described, lying on Charter Street and laid out the same as a public street or way of said City; it is therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to Isaac Stebbins and all other persons interested as owners, proprietors, tenants, occupants, or otherwise, in said land that they cut off, pull

down, remove and carry away all buildings, erections 81.
and obstructions of every sort standing on and projecting Feb. 11, 1853.
over the line of said Charter Street, as established by the
Resolve aforesaid, or, move and set back the same to the
said line, and vacate and surrender the land and prem-
-ises taken as aforesaid on or before the 15th day of March
next ensuing. And be it further ordered, the City Clerk
is hereby directed and empowered forthwith to enter upon
said land and cause all buildings, erections and obstruc-
tions standing on and projecting over the line of said Charter
Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off,
pulled down, removed and carried away, or to be moved
and set back to said line, and the said land to be vacat-
-ed and surrendered under the direction of the Committee
on laying out and widening Streets.

Whereas, pursuant to an New
Order of this Board, passed on the twenty eighth day of Street
June 1852 public notice thereof having first been given, a Com-
-mon Sewer has been constructed in New Street near Sum-
-mer Street, the cost of which was Two hundred and ninety
three dollars and nineteen cents, one quarter part where-
-of being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there re-
-mains Two hundred and nineteen dollars 80/100 to be charg
-ed to persons benefitted by the same, according to law:
It is therefore, Ordered, that the persons named in the sched-
-ule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as assessed
and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums
therein set to their respective names, as their proportional
part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is

ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties
Feb 11. 1853. aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Whereas, pursuant to Orders
of this Court passed on the 31st ult. May, and the 14th inst. June
Meridian 1852. public notice thereof having first been given, Common
Sewers Sewers have been constructed in Monmouth, Meridian, Hen=
drion & -drion and Eulaw Streets, the cost of which was Forty five hun=
Eulaw -dred and fifty nine Dollars and twenty cents, one quarter
Streets. part of which Amounted to be paid by the said City,
there remains Thirty four Hundred and nineteen dollars
40/100 to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to
law: It is therefore, Ordered, that the persons named in the Sched=
-ule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they
hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to
their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense
of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and
notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenant or ag=
-ts.

Stoddard. Petition of Stephen Stoddard
to be paid for extra labor &c. on the School House in Eutaw
Street. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings in con=
currence.

Loan. Ordered: That the Treasurer be
House of authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Committee
Correction. on Finance, the Sum of Ten Thousand dollars and that
the same be added to the appropriation for the House of Correc=
tion. Passed in Common Council. Yeas 36. Nays 3. Came
up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas, The Mayor, Ad=
ams, Reed, Rich, Whiting, Gray, White, & Frost. 8. Nays, none.

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands to whom was referred the petition of A. Whitney & others relative to restriction removed from the lot of land on the corner of Causeway and Lancaster Streets reported that they had carefully considered the subject of said petition and they recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Feb. 17th

Feb. 11, 1853. Public Lands

The annual report containing the account of the various absences of the Assistant Engineers from the Fires in the City during the preceding year, together with the excuses therefor. Came up from the Common Council. Read and placed on file.

Engineers absences of.

The Board then proceeded by ballot to the choice of a Chief Engineer, and Nine Assistant Engineers of the Fire Department, and the ballots being taken and counted it appeared that William Barnicoat was elected Chief Engineer, and Charles S. Clark, Elisha Smith Jr. George W. Bird, F. A. Colburn, G. S. Thom, Nathaniel Seaver, Richard S. Martin, David C. Meloon, and Samuel S. Nilling were elected Assistant Engineers, in concurrence with the Common Council.

Engineer of Fire Department.

Whereas this Board has learned that the number of commitments to the House of Correction exceeds the present means of accommodating the prisoners in said Institution. Therefore, Ordered: That the Committee on the Institutions at South Boston and Deer Island be and they are hereby requested to confer with the Overseers of the House of Correction and upon all such matters as may

House of Correction

84. way to relieve that Institution from the inconvenience and
Feb. 14. 1855. danger existing in the premises. Sent down for concurrence.
came up concurred, Feb. 17th

Police. On nomination by the Mayor,
Constables of Freeman Lane, John O'Hare, James T. Joyce, Timothy Mc
the Watch. Carty and Simon F. Wright were appointed on the Police,
and John Seaver was appointed a Constable of the Watch.

[illegible]
Street. conduct Coal Holes under the sidewalk in Winter Street
upon the usual conditions.

Auctioneer. Samuel H. Beal was licensed as
an Auctioneer of this City for the present year.

Julia St. Ordered: That the Committee on
Fire the Fire Department be instructed to make inquiries into any
improprieties reported to have been committed at the late
fire in Julia Street, and to take such action in the premises
as they may deem expedient.

Tremont Ordered: That the Committee
Street. on Laying be directed to consider the expediency of widening
the sidewalk along the Tremont Street Mall and report at
an early day to this Board.

Rainsford Ordered: That the Committee
Island. on External Health be and they are hereby authorized to
inquire and report what buildings now standing on Rains-
ford Island belong to the City of Boston, and also what
action it is expedient for the City to take in relation to
their Sale, removal or transfer to the Commonwealth.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a Special Meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Thursday the Seventeenth day of February, A.D. 1853.

Present

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Frost.

Petition of the Massachusetts Charitable Mechanic Association for the use of Faneuil Hall during the months of August and September next for the purpose of holding therein their Seventh Triennial Fair. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board with full power. Mass. Charitable Mechanic Association.

Ordered: That the penalty of the bond to be given by the Clerk of the Police Court and the Justices Court shall be Five thousand dollars: that the form of said bond be prescribed by the City Solicitor, and that the City Treasurer have the custody of said bond and be accountable therefor. Passed. Sent down for concurrence. came up concurred. Police Court. Clerk's bond.

On the petition of William Kelron for leave to give a concert at Lyceum Hall South William Kelron.

86 Boston, the Committee on Licenses reported in favor of granting the prayer of the petitioner. Read and accepted.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen, the City of Boston held at City Hall Monday the twenty first day of February, Anno Domini, 1853.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Sheriff. Communication from the Sheriff of Suffolk County respecting his Salary. Referred to the Committee on County Accounts.

Drury- Farwell- Hahn. Union Park- Haven & Meridian Streets. Petition of Otis Drury that the requisite measures be taken to grade Haven Street;- of Luther Farwell Jr. that the sidewalk on Union Park may be laid in accordance with the order of May 26. 1851.- of J. B. Hahn and others that the sidewalks on Meridian Street, East Boston, may be laid. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

White. Petition of John White to be compensated for damage sustained by raising the grade of Church Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Nathan Matthews &c and others, that a Common Sewer may be laid in Com- Feb. 21. 1853.
-mercial Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers & Drains. Matthews.

Petition of John L. Hunnewell Hunnewell.
that a plan of the prospective grade and Sewer in Marion
Street may be made. Referred to the Committee on Sewers
and Drains.

Petition of B. D. Massy and Massy
others that Chardon Street may be continued in a straight Chardon St.
line to Merrimac Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Remonstrance of Josiah Bradlee Bradlee-
-lee and others against the proposed extension of Warren Warren Street.
Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of the Heirs of Lucin- Dorr
-da Dorr and others, that the new Street from Washington Davis Street.
Street to Harrison Avenue, may be called and known as
Davis Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Communication from the [illegible]
Old Colony Rail Road Corporation protesting against the Rail Road.
acceptance of South Street, between Lehigh and Kneeland South Street.
Streets. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of Henry A. Davis for Davis.
appointment as Wardens of Islands and [illegible] and [illegible]
-monstrance of Jones & Preston and others, against the ap- Jones &c.

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Appointment of Peter A. Walker as a Sealer of Weights and Measures. Referred to the Special Committee having charge of that subject.

Old Colony Rail Road

Order of Notice on the petition of the Old Colony Rail Road Corporation to the Legislature for leave to fill up certain flats. Referred to the Committee on the Harbor. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, Feb. 24.

Reports of Inspectors of Prisons

Reports of the Inspectors of Prisons for the County of Suffolk for December 1852. Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Mayor & Aldermen's Room

The Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board, who were authorized to procure a plan of some proposed improvement in the interior arrangement of the room of the Mayor and Aldermen, having attended to that duty, respectfully report the accompanying plan, which if carried out, will furnish a more convenient arrangement of the desks and seats of the Board than at present exists. They therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying Order. For the Committee, Benjamin James, Chairman. Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be, and they are hereby authorized, to make the improvement in the room of the Mayor and Aldermen, which are exhibited on a plan of the said room, drawn by G. F. T. Bryant, Esq. and herewith submitted, provided, that the expense of the same shall not exceed Five hundred dollars: and that the said sum be charged to the appropriation for Public Buildings. Read, accepted and the order passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Feb. 24.

Petition of John L. Hunne- Sq.
well, that new Water Pipes may be laid down in Havre Place Feb. 21. 1853.
(East Boston) Referred to the Cochituate Water Board. Sent down Hunnewell
for concurrence. Came up concurred February 21st

Petition of the Winthrop Light Winthrop
Guard to be paid for the use of their Armory for 1852. Referred Light Guard.
to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concur-
rence. Came up concurred, Feb. 21.

Notice was received from the Police & Watch.
Common Council that Mr. Russell was appointed on the Committee
Joint Special Committee on the Police and Watch in place of
Mr. Breed, declined.

Report of the Superintendent Franklin
of common Sewers containing the schedule of assessments for Stret.
the construction of the common Sewer in Franklin Stred,
below Theatre Alley. Referred to the Committee on Sewers and
Drains.

Report of the Superintendent of Emerald
common Sewers containing the schedule of assessments for Stred.
the construction of the Common Sewer in Emerald Strat. Refer-
red to the Committee on Sewers and Drains.

The order of this Board au- Washington
thorizing the purchase of the estate numbred 286. 288 Wash- Strat estate.
ington Street for the sum of 18.000 dollars was referred in Com-
mon Council to the Committee on Public Lands. Came up for
concurrence. Read and concurred.

Feb. 21. 1853. Hancock.

On the notice of the intention to build by Henry K. Hancock on Chapman Street, the Committee on Streets reported that no action thereon is necessary as the line of said Street and grade should be kept up above high water mark, and that therefore the notice should be referred to the committee on Paving. Read, accepted and referred accordingly.

Watchmen's fees.

Alderman Whiting called up from the table the following Report and Order.— The Committee to whom was referred the Order in relation to the Watchmen receiving fees as witnesses, have attended to the duty assigned them and submit the following Report:— That all persons employed by the City should receive a fair compensation for the services rendered, and all fees attached to any office, should in all cases be paid into the City Treasury. For the consideration of the Board the Committee would submit the following Order. For the committee James Whiting.— Ordered: That the Watchmen of the City be required after the passage of this order, to account to the City and pay into the Treasury all fees received by them in the discharge of their official duties, including all witness fees in the Police or Municipal courts, and other fees accruing to them from the arrest, trial and commitment of any person in this City. Read, accepted and the order passed— the Yeas and Nays being required on said order were taken as follows— Yeas, the Mayor, Aldermen Kezer, James, Reed, Rich, Whiting, Cain, White, and Messrs. Ayes. 9. Nays. none.

Alexander and Baker, and Jas. Philbrick were appointed Auctioneers of the City for the present year. Feb. 21. 1853 Auctioneers.

Whereas, in the opinion of the Board the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Ann Street should be widened at the Brann Estate, which has been purchased by Nathan Matthews & is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Nathan Matthews that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned by taking a part of the land owned, and occupied by him for that purpose and that Friday the tenth day of March next at ten o'clock P.M. be assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto. Matthews Ann Street.

Ordered: That there be paid to Nathan Matthews the sum of Two hundred dollars for land taken to widen Ann Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking: and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Matthews. Ann Street.

Ordered: That there be paid to Nathan Matthews the sum of Twenty four hundred fifty five dollars for land taken to widen Ann Street upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expense in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Matthews. Ann Street.

Feb. 21 1853. New North Church Society.

On the petition of the New North Religious Society, that their bell, injured in the service of the city, may be repaired, the Committee on Bells and Clocks reported an order, as follows— Ordered: That a new bell of 1900 lbs. weight be placed in the tower of the New North Church in Hanover Street, provided that the expense of making and suspending the same does not exceed the sum of four hundred dollars, and that the work be done to the satisfaction of the Committee on Bells and Clocks— said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Bells & Clocks. Read, accepted and the order passed.

Military Hall

Alderman Rich called up from the table the resolves and order relating to the erection of a Military Hall and the question being on the acceptance of the resolves and order, it was divided on motion of Alderman Read, and the Resolves were referred to the Committee on Public Buildings, sent down for concurrence, came up concurred, Feb. 24. The Order relating to the establishment of the Military Hall was re-laid upon the table.

Vermont Street.

The Committee on Paving, who were directed to consider the expediency of widening the Vermont Street sidewalk near the Common, reported an Order, as follows; Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets, under the direction of the Committee on Paving, be authorized to have the sidewalk widened along the Vermont Street Mall, by taking in a part of the Street, not exceeding two feet in width. Read, accepted and the order passed.

The Joint Special Committee, y.
to whom was referred the petition of the Charitable Association Feb. 21. 1853.
of the Boston Fire Department, that the fines of the members Charitable
of the Fire Department, which were paid last year into the Association
City Treasury, under the Ordinance of 1851, may be paid of the Fire
over to said Association for the purposes of its institution, ask Department.
leave to Report: That they have duly considered the prayer
of said petition and they find that the following fines have
been deducted from the pay of the members of the Department
since May last, viz.

May	$4.75	Oct.	27.25
June	13.75	Nov.	64.25
July	25.75	Dec	17.50
Aug.	34.75	Jan^{y}	261.75
Sept.	54.00	Total	$593.75

That in accordance with the report of a Joint Special Committee of the last City Council, an Ordinance was passed Dec. 31. 1852. by which the fines established by the Ordinance of 1851. were abolished, and the amounts deducted for absences of members were thenceforth ordered to be paid to the Treasurer of each Company, for the benefit of such company. The system of fines having been thus repealed, the object of the petitioners is to receive the amounts already paid into the City Treasury before the passage of the late Ordinance. The benevolent character of the Charitable Association of the Boston Fire Department is well known to the members of the City Council, and your Committee feel, that to grant the prayer of the petitioners would accomplish the double object of abolishing the fines, by providing a means of refunding to the members of the Department.

of. these sums, which by virtue of the recent Ordinance are here-
Feb. 21. 1853. after to accrue to their benefit. The City Council having au-
thority in the premises, the passage of the accompanying Or-
der is recommended. For the Committee, Isaac Davy, Chairman.
Ordered; That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authoriz-
ed to pay to the Treasurer of the Charitable Association of the
Boston Fire Department the sum of Five hundred and
ninety three 75/100 dollars, being the amount of fines deducted
from the pay of the members of the Fire Department from
May 1852. to January 1853. said amount to be charged to the
appropriation for the Fire Department; Read, accepted and
the order passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up con-
-curred, March 3d

Piper. Drake & Richardson Hancock Free Bridge. The Committee on the Harbor to whom were referred the several orders of notice on the petitions of Thomas Piper - Jedediah Drake - Thomas Richardson - The Boston and Lowell Rail Road Corporation - and the Hancock Free Bridge Corporation, having examined said matter, report: That no further action is necessary thereon. For the Committee, Benjamin James, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for con-
-currence. Came up concurred. February 24th

Pulsifer Petition of David Pulsifer & others that a bridge may be built over the Rail Road crossing on Albany Street, came up from the Common Coun-
-cil. Referred to the Committee on laying out and widening Streets, together with the Committee on Bridges.

Whereas, pursuant to an Order of this Board, passed on the eleventh day of October 1852. public notice thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer has been constructed in Second Street, west of L. Street, the cost of which was Three Hundred and ten Dollars and twenty two cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains Two Hundred & thirty two dollars 68/100 to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: It is therefore, Ordered, that the persons named in the Schedule hereto annexed, be entitled to proceed, & and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

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Second Street.

Petition of Edward D. Peters 4th and others, that Francis Bullard be appointed Surveyor General of Lumber. Read and sent down. In Common Council, Read and placed on file.

Peters.

Bullard.

Petition of Royal Lovejoy & others that Charles Leighton may be re-elected to the office of Surveyor General of Lumber. Read and sent down. In Common Council, read and placed on file.

Lovejoy.

Leighton.

The Board proceeded by ballot to the choice of a Surveyor General of Lumber, and the ballot being taken and counted it appeared that the whole number of votes is 9. Necessary for a choice 5. Charles Leighton had 6. and he was thereupon elected on the part of this Board thereby non-concurring with the Common Council in the

Lumber.

Surveyor General

of choice of George W. Cram. sent down for concurrence.

Feb. 21. 1853.

Warrant to Ward meetings

Ordered: That Warrants be issued for meetings of the legal voters of the several Wards on Monday the seventh day of March next, being the first Monday in said month, at Nine o'clock A.M. then and there to give in their ballots for Forty four Delegates to the convention to be holden in May next for the purpose of revising & altering the Constitution of Government of this Commonwealth that being the number determined upon by the City Council. All to be voted for on one ballot. Also requiring the legal voters in Ward No. 11. to give in their ballots for one member of the Common Council, for the present year, in place of Gardner F. Drury, resigned. The Polls to be kept open until four o'clock, P.M.

Lexington Street Sewer.

Ordered: That the sum of Seventy six dollars and fourteen cents. assessed upon Henry [illegible] for the expenses [illegible] constructing the Common Sewer in Lexington Street, be and the same is hereby abated; And it is also further Ordered: That said sum of Seventy Six dollars and fourteen cents, be and the same is hereby assessed upon William Minot and William Minot Jr. Trustees of said Andrews.

Lexington Street Sewer

Ordered: That the sum of Seventy six dollars and fourteen cents, assessed upon the Eastern Rail Road Corporation for lot No. 155. on Lexington Street, East Boston, for constructing the Common Sewer in Lexington Street, be, and the same is hereby abated; And it is also further Ordered: That said sum of Seventy six

dollars and fourteen cents, be and the same is hereby assessed &
upon David A. Simmons, he being the owner of the lot. Feb. 21. 1853.

Ordered: That Messrs Thorn- Streets.
=dike, Bonney and Durant members of the Common Coun=
=cil with such as the Mayor and Aldermen may join,
be a Committee to consider what alterations are desirable
to be made in the laws respecting the laying out, altering &
discontinuing of highways streets lanes and alleys,
with power to authorize the Mayor & Aldermen to Enact
in a law substantially like the one reported to the Legisla-
-ture in 1846. by their Judiciary Committee with such altera=
-tions as the Committee may deem desirable. Passed in Com=
=mon Council. Came up for Concurrence. Read and concur=
=red, and Aldermen Sleeper and Whiting were joined.

Ordered: That Supt. Fire= Streets
=men & Engineers and Clerk with them at the next & Mayor
and Aldermen may join be a Committee to consider and
report what salaries shall be paid to the City and County
Officers in the ensuing Financial Year: and that said
Committee be authorized to report in print. Passed in Com=
=mon Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concur=
=red and Aldermen Rich and Whiting were joined.

Petition of J. L. & C. Amee in rela= Amee
=tion to a contract for the purchase of land. Referred in
Common Council to the Committee on Public Lands. Came
up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

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Lombard

On the petition of Mary Jane Lombard for an abatement of an assessment for the construction of a Common Sewer in Lexington Street, the Committee on Sewers and Drains reported that no further action thereon is necessary the having paid the same. Read and accepted.

Wellington

On the petition of Darius Wellington for leave to open a cellar way in Sudbury Square the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Hersey, Commercial Street

On the petition of A. C. Hersey and others, that Commercial Street may be widened opposite the City Wharf, the Committee on Streets reported that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners. Read and accepted.

Advertising Papers

Ordered, That seven daily papers be chosen by ballot, by concurrent vote of the two branches of the City Council; and that the Committee on Printing be authorized to contract with each to do the City Advertizing at a price not exceeding three hundred dollars per annum; and with the South Boston Gazette and the East Boston Ledger, which papers shall receive the same sum that was paid to them during the last year. Ordered, that no bills for advertising be paid unless approved by the Committee on Printing who shall have satisfied themselves by personal examination or otherwise, that the work has been faithfully performed; and that no bills for advertizing in other papers than those with which a yearly contract has been made, be authorized or paid with-

-cil a special vote of the City Council. In Common Coun- 99.
-cil. Referred to the Committee on Printing, with instructions to Feb. 21. 1853.
report the number and names of such papers as should be
needed for the purpose mentioned in the within order. Came
up for concurrence. Read and concurred with the following
amendment, viz: Strike out all between A. and B. and in-
sert in the words subject. Sent down for concurrence. Came
up concurred, Feb. 24.

Ordered: That the Committee Armories
on Public Building. be directed a inquire into the expe
diency of establishing a uniform commodation for Armories
for the several companies of the Corps of Volunteer Militia in
this City and to report to the City Council thereon by order
or otherwise. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred,
Mr. 4.

Ordered: That the Commit- School House.
tee on Public Buildings be and they are hereby authorized to Moon Street.
sell at Public Auction the Estate and School House on
the corner of Moon and Fleet Streets, on such terms and
condition as they shall deem most for the City
and laid on the table.

No person appearing to object Washington
to the proposed widening of Washington Street across Iowa Street.
Fleet said subject was recommitted to the Committee on
Streets with full power.

No person appearing to ob- Hawkins St.
-ject to the proposed widening of Hawkins Street to Gaines
and of Iowa St. Bernard said subject was recommitted
to the committee on Streets with full power.

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No person appearing to object

Feb. 21. 1853. to the proposed widening of Washington Street, near Suf-

Washington folk Place. by taking land of Charles Beale, said sub-

Street ject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with

full Power.

Brackett

No person appearing to object

High Street. to the proposed widening of High Street, by taking land

of George W. Brackett, said subject was recommitted to the

Committee on Streets with full power.

Hobbs & Ball

No person appearing to object

Sudbury St; to the proposed widening of Sudbury Street, by taking land

of Hobbs and Ball, said subject was referred to the Commit-

tee on Streets with full power.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'Clock. P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston. held at City Hall on Thursday the Twenty fourth day of February Anno Domini 1853.

Present

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Frost.

Petition of Albert Bowker, and others that Lexington Street may be accepted and graded. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Bowker Lexington St.

Petition of Henri Funconi for leave to exhibit his Hippodrome in the Public Garden in July next. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. Funconi.

Ordered: That the Standing committee on the Public Library, in conference with the Board of Trustees, be and they are hereby authorized to procure and purchase a suitable site for the erection of a building which will be adequate to all the purposes for which the Public Library of the City of Boston has been established. Passed. Yeas. The Mayor, Aldermen Sleeper, James, Reed, Rich, Whiting, Ware and White. 8. Nays. none. In Board of Aldermen. came up concurred. Yeas 4 5. Nay 1. Public Library.

Adjourned to Monday next at nine o'clock. A.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the Twenty Eighth day of February, A.D. 1853.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Field. Petition of Philip E. Field, and others, that a Special Police Officer may be stationed at South Boston. Read and thereupon ordered that Bernard Roper be appointed as said officer.

Petition of D. H. Blaney, and others, that the Sidewalks on Princeton and Marion Streets may be laid. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Marion Streets.

Dillon. Petition of J. A. Dillon for leave to move a wooden building from Tremont to Roxbury Line. Referred to the Committee on Paving with full power.

Laurence Petition of A. & A. Laurence & Co. and others that the order of the Board abolishing the kind of liquor [illegible] may be rescinded. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Ordered: That no bills for lighting Armories be paid by the Treasurer except those authorized by special vote of the City Council. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Ordered: That the Com= mittee on Ordinances inquire into the expediency of so alter= ing the financial year as to conform to the political year beginning on the first of January and ending on the thirty first of December. Passed in Common Council. Came up for con= currence. Read and concurred. Feb 28. 1853. Financial year.

Ordered: That the Com= mittee on Public Buildings be authorized to make such alter= ations in the Common Council Chamber for the better accom= modations of Strangers, ex-members and reporters, as they may see fit: and that the expense thereof, not to exceed One Hundred dollars, be charged to Incidental Expenses and Mis cellaneous Claims. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Common Council Chamber.

The list of all abate= ment of Taxes for the year 1852-53. was received from the Board of Assessors, and was ordered to be sent down to the Common Council. Taxes.

The List of Persons, Copartner= ships and Corporations taxed on $6000. and upwards for the year 1852. was received from the Assessors, laid on the table & ordered to be printed. Taxes.

Ordered: That the Treasurer be and hereby is authorized, under the direction of the Com= mittee on Finance, to borrow the sum of Six Hundred and five Hundred dollars, and that the same be added to the following appropriations viz: Instructers in Grammar Schools Ten Thousand Dollars. Internal Health, eleven Thousand dollars. Widening Streets, Twenty five Thousand dollars. Gas Fix= Loan. Appropriations

104. =lars (to extend the use of Gas in lighting the city) Seventy five
Feb. 28. 1853. hundred dollars. Passed in Common Council. Yeas. 41. Nays, 4.
came up for concurrence. Read and concurred; Yeas the Mayor,
Aldermen Draper, Jones, and Weir, Harding, Ware, Wade, Frost. 9.
Nays, none.

Ordered: That the Committee
City Debt
1854-55. on Finance have full power to make such arrangements as
in their judgement the best interest of the City may require to re-
new, or pay off, the amount of City Debt becoming due in the
financial year 1854-55,- and that the City Treasurer, under
their direction, be, and hereby is, authorized to issue City Notes
for that purpose to an amount not exceeding Six hundred
Thousand dollars. Passed in Common Council. Came up for
concurrence. Read and concurred with the following amend-
ment, at A. insert "by a new Loan or otherwise." Yeas, the
Mayor, Aldermen Harper, James, Read, Rich, Whiting, Ware,
White, and Frost.- 9. Nays none. Sent down for concurrence.
came up concurred. March 3d Yeas 42. Nays none.

Bullard
Petition of Francis Bullard for
appointment as Surveyor General of Lumber. and a recom-
mendation by Aaron Guild and others in favor of the appoint
ment of Francis Bullard. Read and sent down. In Common
Council, read and placed on file.

Hutchinson
Petition of Robert Hutchinson and
others in favor of the appointment of Charles Leighton as Sur-
veyor General of Lumber. Came up in the Common Council
and was read and placed on file.

The Committee on Laying out and Widening Streets, to whom was referred the petition of James D. Dow for the opening of a new Street in continuation of Water Street, upon the Flats, and in such a direction as the Public Lands of the City are particularly interested in the measure prayed for, and as the Ordinance on Public Lands gives the Committee on that subject power to lay out Streets subject to the approval of this Board, it seems proper to the Committee that this petition should be referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands: they therefore recommend such reference. For the Committee, Jamieson Read, Chairman. Read accepted and referred accordingly. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, March 3d

Feb. 28. 1853. Dow.

The ballots having been again taken and counted for a Surveyor General of Lumber it appeared that the whole number of votes was 9, Necessary for a choice 5, Francis Bullard had 5 and no one therefore elected on the part of this Board: the Board thereby non-concurring with the Common Council in the election of Francis Bullard. Sent down for concurrence.

Surveyor General of Lumber.

The Committee on Public Buildings ask leave to report to the City Council the following facts in relation to the Engine and Hook and Ladder House, now standing on the corner of Friend and Market Streets in this City. In 1850 Hon. Josiah Quincy, Jr. purchased of the City the land on which this building stands, with the agreement that the City should be entitled to all the buildings then erected thereon, but should be obliged to remove any and

Engine House on Market & Friend Sts.

do cut of them upon receiving two weeks notice, in writing, of such
Feb. 28. 1853. desire from the owner of the fee. All the recent sale of Mr. Quin-
-cy's property the land on which this House is situated was
purchased by Mr. Franklin Evans who has notified the City
to remove the building in accordance with the foregoing agree-
-ment. The Committee on Public Buildings having fully con-
-sidered the subject recommend, that the City instead of re-
moving the building should sell it at public auction, and
they accordingly offer the accompanying order, for such sale.
For the Committee, Benjamin James, Chairman. Ordered. That
the Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings be, and
they are hereby authorized to sell at public auction, on such
terms and conditions as they may deem expedient, the brick
building now standing on the corner of Friend & Market
Streets, which was formerly used by the City as an Engine
and Hook and Ladder House. Read, accepted and the order
passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. March 3d.

Ritchie. Ordered: That the Mayor be
authorized to execute and deliver a deed in accordance
with an agreement made with Uriah Ritchie dated the
first day of September, A. D. 1851. in such form as the Committee
on Public Lands may order and determine. Sent down for
concurrence. Came up concurred. March 3d

Moon Steet Alderman Frost called up
School house from the Table the order relating to the sale of the School
House Estate corner of Moon and Fleet Streets. and the same
having been considered by the Board was adopted. Sent

down for concurrence. Came up concurred. March 3d

Feb. 28. 1853.

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings inquire into the present mode of authorizing and approving of payments made for the incidental expenses of Grammar Schools and to report to the City Council whether in their opinion any different system is advisable. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, March 3d

Grammar Schools.

Order of Notice on the petition of the Boston and Lowell Rail Road Company for leave to enter the City of Boston at Causeway & Charles Sts. Read and referred to Aldermen James and Frost with such as the common Council may join, with full power in conference with the City Solicitor to take such action in the premises as they shall judge most expedient. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred March 3d and Messrs Warren, Gardiner and Forristall were joined.

Boston & Lowell Rail Road.

Order of Notice on the petition of the Metropolitan Rail Road Company for leave to locate and construct a Rail Road in certain streets in this city. Referred to the Mayor, Aldermen Reed, Frost and Parry, with such as the Common Council may join with full power in conference with the City Solicitor to take such action in the premises as they shall judge most expedient. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred and Messrs Nickerson, J. N. Rice French, Goodwin and Turner were joined March 3d

Metropolitan Rail Road.

Order of Notice on the petition

Feb. 28. 1853. to the Legislature by James Dana and others, for the annexa-
[illegible] tion [illegible] to the City, [illegible] referred to the Mayor, Aldermen Sleeper, Rich, and Whiting with such as the Common Council may join with full power in conference with the City Solicitor to take such measures in the premises as may be deemed expedient. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred and Messrs. Bonney, Homer, Burrage, Woodman and Dupee were joined.

Loring

Application of J. M. Moriarty, that George Loring the Captain of the vessel used in the transportation of Paupers to Deer Island, may be appointed a Police Officer of the City. Referred to the Mayor.

Interments.

Ordered: That His Honor the Mayor, be directed to petition the Legislature for the passage of an Act, whereby the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston shall have full power to prohibit any and all interments of the dead, within the limits of the City Proper, whenever they shall deem it expedient so to do.

Advertising

The Committee on Funding to whom was referred the subject of advertising, offer the following report - That it is expedient to employ the South Boston Gazette, the East Boston Ledger and eight other papers of the City for the ensuing year, the two first at a rate not exceeding fifty two dollars and the eight latter at a rate not exceeding three hundred dollars per annum. The Committee recommend that printed bills be procured with the names of all of

the established City papers upon them, and that the members Feb. 28, 1853.
of the Council by concurrent vote, elect by ballot at such
time as may be ordered, eight papers from said names to do
said advertising, by erasing out such as they may wish to
reject. and that the Committee be authorized to contract with
the proprietors of the papers selected in accordance with the
Order in relation to the same passed Feb. 17th instant. For the
Committee, J. P. Rich, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent
down for concurrence. Came up concurred, March 3d

Petition of Noah Sturtevant Sturtevant.
that an assessment laid on him for the construction of a Com-
mon Sewer in Meridian and Eutaw Streets, may be abated.
Referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains.

The Superintendent of Sewers Atkinson
presented to the Board a Schedule of assessments for the con- & Broad Sts:
struction of a common Sewer in Atkinson and Broad
Streets. Referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains.

The Auditor's Estimates for the Auditor's
financial year 1853, 54. Referred in Common Council to Estimates.
Messrs Nicolson, Stearns, Adams, Hall, Breed, Demond and Drew,
with such as the Mayor and Aldermen may join. Came up
for concurrence. Read and concurred, and the Mayor and
Aldermen Read, Whiting and Rich were joined.

Ordered: That there be paid Winslow
to S. W. Winslow the sum of Forty eight Dollars for land tak- Church Head.

110 =en to extend Church Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed
Feb: 28. 1853 for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all
damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking;
and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying
out and widening Streets.

Vose - Washington Street. Whereas William P. Emerson has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Washington Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants re= =quire that the said Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, and said Emerson, on notice as hereinafter specified has stated that the land to be built upon belongs to Josiah Vose, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Josiah Vose that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Street - and that Monday, the Seventh day of March next, at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objection which may be made thereto.

Oct 31 Pearl Street. Whereas George W. Cockell has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Pearl Street in the said City; and in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants re= =quire that a part of the said Street should be discontinued at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said George W. Cock= =ell that this Board intend to discontinue a part of the Street before mentioned, near the land now about to be built

upon as aforesaid, as a public Street and that Monday, the Seventh day of March next, at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto. 111. Feb. 28. 1853.

Whereas, pursuant to an Order of this Board, passed on the Ninth day of August 1852: public notice thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer has been constructed in Linwood Street, near Lucas Place, the cost of which was Sixty three dollars and forty eight cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains Forty seven dollars 97/100 to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: It is therefore Ordered, that the persons named in the Schedule hereunto annexed being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees. Linwood Street.

Whereas, pursuant to an Order of this Board, passed on the Second day of November, 1852. public notice thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer has been constructed in Franklin Street, below Theatre Alley, the cost of which was Four hundred and one dollars and forty eight cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City, Four hundred and one dollars 97/100 to be charged to persons benefitted by the same according to law: It is therefore, Ordered, that the persons named in the Schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as Franklin Street.

112 aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed,
Oct. 28. 1853. with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Matthews. On the petition of Nathan
Commercial Matthews and others. Ordered: That due notice be given that this
Street. Board will, on Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a Common Sewer in Commercial Street and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who by any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby: Any persons making objection thereto, will then and there be heard.

Jallant. On the petition of Jacob C. Jallant
Cove Street. and others. Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next, at four o'clock P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a Common Sewer in Cove Street, from Beach Street to East Street, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who by any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Robinson. Whereas George W. Robinson has
Richmond given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings
Street. on Richmond Street in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened at

the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Or- 113.
dered, That due notice be given to the said George W. Robinson Feb. 28. 1853.
that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned,
by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon
as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street,
and that Monday, the Seventh day of March next, at four
o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections
which may be made thereto.

Petition of C. F. Gardiner, and Gardiner -
others, that a survey may be made for the prospective Sewer in Marion St.
Marion Street (East Boston) Referred to the Committee on Sewers
and Drains.

Petition of John White for leave White
to construct a Tomb in the East Boston Burial Ground. Referred
to the Committee on Cemeteries

Petition of Nathaniel Seaver, Seaver.
and others, that a Lamp may be placed and lighted in Paris
Street, East Boston, Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

No person appearing to [illegible] in the
to the proposed widening of [illegible] by taking land of Edmund
Matthews, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets,
with full power

On the petitions of Joseph Bro- Brownsdale -
wnsdale and others for a Sewer from River Place to Kingston Jones & al.
Street - and of Jones & Wheelwright, for an enlargement of
the Water street Sewer - the Committee on Sewers and Drains
reported that no further action is necessary. Read and accepted.

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Feb. 28. 1853. Thayer

On the petition of S. S. Thayer, that Wall Street may be called Sewer Street, the Committee on Streets reported that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of said petition. Read and accepted.

Hughes - Sewer - Hubbard.

On the petition of John Hughes & others for repair of Sewer in Wheeler's Court; - of Willard Sears for the repair of the Common Sewer in Essex Street - of Shubael Grant & Edwards for abatement of assessment for construction of a Common Sewer in Meridian Street; - the Committee on Sewers and Drains reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Intelligence Office.

Lovina H. King was licensed to keep an Intelligence Office at No 130 Washington Street.

Sheriff

The Committee on County Accounts, to whom was referred the petition of Henry Crocker, Esq[t] Sheriff of the County of Suffolk, for additional compensation as keeper of the Jail, have considered the subject and offer the following Order. For the Committee, James Whiting, Chairman. Ordered: That the Sheriff of the County of Suffolk have and receive as his Salary for the safe keeping of the persons committed to his charge the sum of One hundred and fifty dollars, per annum, to be paid from the County Treasury. Read, accepted and the order passed.

Jellyplace.

On the petition of William Jellyplace and others that the court leading from Everett Street may be called and known as "Paige Place" the Committee

on Streets reported that as the within named Court is a pri- | 115.
-vate way it is inexpedient to take any action on the matter. | Feb. 28, 1853.
Read and accepted.

Communication from John H. Thorndike respecting a new Steam Engine to be used for the extinguishment of Fires. Read & the committee on the Fire Department. | Thorndike. Fire Engine

On the petition of Henry K. Hancock and others, respecting the grade of Chapman Street, the Committee on Paving reported, that as the grade had been given by the City Engineer no further action is required thereon. Read and accepted. | Hancock. Chapman St.

Edwin Bruce, was licensed to give a Concert at the Melodeon on Thursday evening next and James Powers to give a Concert at the same place on the first day of March next. | Bruce. Powers.

On the petition of Thiri Fanconi for leave to exhibit his Hippodrome in the Public Garden in July next, the Committee on Licenses reported in favor of granting said petition on condition that he pay therefor the sum of $500 a week and for the Police Officers of the city in advance. Read and accepted. | Fanconi

On the petition of William Brown for leave to construct a Coal Hold under his sidewalk in Chester Street, the Committee on Paving reported in favor of granting the prayer of said petition. Read and accepted. | Brown

On nomination by the Mayor,

Feb. 28. 1853. Charles K. Morse, George S. Hall, and John W. Reason were
Watchmen appointed on the Watch.

Dorr — On the petition of the Heirs of
Davis — Lucinda Dorr, Ordered: That the new Street, thirty feet
Ord. — wide, which was, by an order of this Board, passed on the
twentieth day of December A.D. 1852 opened from Washington
Street to Harrison Avenue, between Florence and Asylum Streets,
be hereafter called and known by the name of "Davis Street".

Cole. — The Special Committee to whom
Brown. — was referred the petition of Morrill Cole and others that John
G. Brown be appointed a Field Driver of the City of Boston,
reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read
and accepted.

Bremen — On the petition of William H. Thorn-
& Border — dike and others that the tide gates may be replaced upon
Streets. — the Common Sewers in Bremen and Decatur Streets, the Com-
mittee on Sewers and Drains reported the following order:-
Ordered: That the Superintendent of Common Sewers be and
he is hereby directed to cause tide gates to be put on the out-
lets of the common Sewers in Bremen and on Border Streets
near Decatur Street, and that the expense thereof be charged
to the appropriation for Sewers and Drains. Read, accepted &
the order passed.

Hay — Ordered: That the special com-
Weigher &c. — mittee, who have under consideration the appointment of
a Sealer of Weights and Measures, be authorized also to
nominate candidates for Weigher of Hay - Measurers of Upper

Feather Measurers of Wood and Bark Weighers of Boats and Lighters Inspectors and Weighers of Bundle Hay. 117. Feb. 28. 1853.

Ordered: That in consequence of the pole & railings in the Office of the Water Registrar, and ing from the payment of Water Rates at this season of the year, Rochituate Hall, in Phillips Place, is hereby designated as the place of meeting of the citizens of Ward No 4. for the purpose of the ensuing election of March 7th instead of their usual Ward Room in Court Square. Ward No 4. Ward Com.

On the remonstrance of Josiah Quincy, Jr. and others against any alteration in the width of the sidewalks in Exchange Street, the Committee on Paving reported that no further action thereon is necessary. Read & laid on the table. Quincy-Exchange St.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that a part of Market Square should be discontinued as a public street or way of the said City, bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the Northeastern corner of the said premises, at the point where the boundary line between land of William H. Miller and land of Edward Dole meets the northerly line of Market Square; thence running Westwardly, along said Northern line, one foot and seventy hundredths of a foot; thence Southwardly, along the Westerly line of Market Square, nineteen feet and thirty five hundredths of a foot; thence Southwardly along said Westerly line, twenty seven feet and seventy four hundredths of a foot, to the intersection of said Westerly line with the line of Lock Square, as Market Square

118. established by an order of the Board of Mayor and Alder-
Feb 28 1853. men, dated December 27th 1852, thence Northwardly, straight,
forty six feet and ninety hundredths of a foot, to the point of
beginning containing One Hundred and twenty square
feet, and eighty seven hundredths of a square foot, more or
less. And whereas, due notice has been given of the intention
of this Board to discontinue the said parcel of land for
the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto
annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land
before described be, and the same hereby is discontinued as a
public street or way of the said City according to a plan made
by E. S. Chesbrough dated February 28. 1853. and deposited in the
office of the said Mayor and Aldermen.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the Seventh day of March A.D. 1853

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Sleeper, Whiting and Frost.

Petition of Bay State Iron Company for an additional Hose Carriage to be stationed at South Boston in the vicinity of their Works. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department. Bay State Iron Co.

Petition of Thirteen Citizens and others in aid of the petition of B. B. Murray and others that Chardon Street may be extended to Market Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets. Chardon St.

Petition of J. B. Brown for leave to exhibit a Model of the City of San Francisco at the Horticultural Hall in School Street; - and of William Gurrell for permission to give a Concert at Lyceum Hall, South Boston. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. Brown. Gurrell.

Petition of Jabez C. Howe and others that suitable curbing stone may be laid in Federal Street between Milk and Franklin Streets; - of Samuel A. Way that he may be compensated for the damage sustained by him in consequence of a change of grade in Harrison Avenue; - and of Samuel Snell for compensation for damage sustained by him by reason of the change of grade in Lenox Street now recently opened & the Committee on Paving. Howe. Federal. Harrison Ave. Snell. Lenox

March 7. 1853. Stoddard

On the petition of Erastus Stoddard to be compensated the damage sustained by him in consequence of the change of grade in Kneeland Street, the Committee on Paving reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Harrington.

On the petition of Ephraim Harrington, and others, to be paid for land to taken from them in Church Street, the Committee on Streets reported a reference of said petition to the Committee on Paving. Read, accepted and referred accordingly.

Massachusetts Block. Deer Island.

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings inquire and report upon the expediency of purchasing the Massachusetts Block for the use of the city: also upon the expediency of selling Deer Island and applying the proceeds of such sale to pay for said Block. Read in common Council. Read & concurred. Read and laid on the table.

Sur. Gen.

The Common Council having again elected Francis Bullard as Surveyor General of Lumber, thereby non concurring with this Board in the election of Charles Leighton. Said action came up for concurrence. But on motion of Alderman James, the subject was laid on the table.

Merriam

The license of W. H. Merriam as a keeper of an Intelligence Office in Hanover Street, was revoked by the Board for cause.

Whereas pursuant to an Order 121.
of this Board, passed on the Nineteenth day of July 1852. public March 7, 1853.
notice thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer has Broad &
been constructed in Broad and Atkinson Streets the cost of Atkinson Sts:
which was Four hundred and ninety six dollars and forty
eight cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be
paid by the said City, there remains Three hundred & seventy
one dollars $\frac{63}{100}$ to be charged to persons benefitted by the same,
according to Law: It is therefore Ordered, that the persons named
in the Schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as afore-
said, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with
the sums therein set to their respective names, as their
proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and
the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given
to the parties aforesaid, their tenants & lessees.

The Committee on Streets Warren
to whom was referred the several petitions of John Odin, Street.
Jr, and others, of E. G. Loring and others, of Charles F. Bur- Odin-
nard and others, for the extension of Warren Street from Eliot Loring.
to Boylston Street; also the remonstrance of M. M. Stanfield Burnard
and others, and of J. J. Lyseth and others, against the same, Stanfield-
respectfully report. The Committee met on Friday, February 25th Lyseth.
at which time the petitioners and remonstrants, having
been duly notified, appeared, and presented their reasons for
and their objections to, the proposed improvement. The peti-
tioners represent that they have the refusal of an estate,
by which the street may be opened as far as Boylston place
for the sum of $5000; further than this, they have present

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ed to the Committee no estimate of the cost of the proposed
street. If this were all the expense of the opening, the Com-
mittee might feel warranted in recommending the meas-
ure. But the residents on Boylston place represent that
that place is private property, the fee of which is vested in
them, and that they cannot consent to its being opened
as a public street, without being compensated for the land.
They further represent that it is a quiet, retired place,
and, for that reason, desirable as a residence; and that, if
the proposed street is carried through, its character in this
respect will be essentially changed, for which also they
claim to demand damages. Further appears that Boylston
place is only about twenty feet in width, except in that
portion which has been recently widened at the expense of
the proprietors, and that it would be attended with great
additional cost to lay it out forty, or even thirty, feet wide,
particularly on Boylston street, where there are very valua-
ble houses. Your Committee are constrained to believe, that
the passage through Boylston place would be attended with
great cost to the City. If the street were one imperatively
demanded by the public necessity or convenience, the Com-
mittee might feel justified in recommending that it should
be carried through, notwithstanding the objections which
have been stated. But such they do not conceive to be
the fact. The entrance to Boylston court is directly op-
posite to the cemetery, and the street would therefore af-
ford no particular accommodation to those who should
pass through on foot, to and from the Common; and there
is no part of the City, except a few houses on Boylston street,

which may not be reached as conveniently through Fre- 123.
mont or Warren Street, as through the proposed street. The March 7, 1853
street would be an agreeable opening to the residents on
Warren Street and that vicinity, and it is thought, by the
petitioners, that it would lead to a change in the character of the
population in that part of the City, to the erection of more val-
uable houses, and to an increased amount of taxable property.
Your Committee regard these as very proper considerations to
be taken into the account in dealing with; but they would
hardly feel justified in recommending the opening of a street,
especially where it was likely to involve a heavy expendi-
ture, when these considerations, and not the public necessity
and convenience, were the primary object. Your Committee,
after a hearing of both the petitioners and the remonstrants
an examination of the premises, and a careful consideration
of the whole subject, have come to the conclusion, that, in view
of all the facts, they should not be warranted in proposing the
opening of the street; and would therefore recommend that the
petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, J. Reed,
Chairman. Read, laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

On nomination by the Mayor, Watchmen.
Samuel A. Walker, Daniel Holt and David L. Mason were
appointed on the Watch.

On the petition of the Mass- Mass. Char.
achusetts Charitable Mechanic Association, for the use of Faneuil Mechanic
Hall wherein to exhibit their Triennial Fair in August or Association
September next, the Committee on Public Buildings on the
part of this Board reported that the prayer of the petitioners be
granted. Read and accepted

On nomination by the Mayor,
March 7, 1853. George Loring was appointed a Special Police Officer to take
Case charge of persons sentenced to Deer Island.

Sewer- No person appearing to object
age to the proposed construction of common Sewers in Cove
Sewers Street between Beach and East Streets, and in Commercial
Street between Black and Sea Streets, said subjects were re-com-
mitted to the Committee on Sewers and Drains with full power.

No person appearing to object to
Richmond St. the proposed widening of Richmond Street by taking land
of Geage W. Robinson, said subject was re-committed to the
Committee on Streets with full power.

No person appearing to object to
Washington the proposed widening of Washington Street by taking land
Street. of Josiah Vose, said subject was re committed to the Com-
mittee on Streets with full power.

Pearl No person appearing to object
Street to the proposed discontinuance of a portion of Pearl Street,
said subject was re-committed to the Committee on Streets
with full power.

Second Agreeably to the report of the
hand Committee on Licenses - P. H. Haden, Patrick Delany, Charles
Dealers. Gallagher, James Mann, Jr. and Moses Merrifield were ap-
-pointed Dealers in Second Hand Articles.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Pearl March 7. 1853.
[illegible] be widened and for that purpose it is necessary [illegible]
to take, and lay out as a public Street or way of the said Pearl Street.
City, a parcel of land belonging to George W. Crockett, bounded
as follows, viz: Beginning at the Northeasterly corner of the
said premises, at the point where the Northwesterly line of
land of said Crockett meets the proposed line of widening
of Pearl Street, said point being at the southerly corner of
Quincy Block; thence running Southwestwardly, along said
Northwesterly line extended, one foot and fifty hundredths
of a foot; thence Southeastwardly, along the present line of
Pearl Street, eighteen feet and sixty seven hundredths of
a foot, thence Northeastwardly along said line of widen-
ing, eighteen feet and seventy three hundredths of a
foot, to the point of beginning; containing twenty eight
square feet, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been
given of the intention of this Board to take the said par-
cel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the re-
turn hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the
parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is,
taken and laid out as a public Street or way of the said City
according to a plan of the said widening made by E. F. Ches-
brough dated March 7th 1853. and deposited in the Office of the
said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge
that the expense of widening the said Pearl Street, as aforesaid
will amount to One hundred and twenty six dollars; which
sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alter-
tions or discontinuances in said Street, during the present

municipal year, does not exceed the sum of Five thousand dollars.

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Brockett.

Pearl Street.

Whereas this Board by a Resolve passed this day took a certain parcel of land, therein described, lying on Pearl Street and laid out the same as a public street or way of said City, it is therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to George W. Brockett and all other persons interested as owners, proprietors, tenants, occupants, or otherwise, in said land that they cut off, pull down, remove and carry away all buildings, erections and obstructions of every sort standing on and projecting over the line of said Pearl Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, or, move and set back the same to the said line, and vacate and surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid on or before the first day of May, now next ensuing. And in default thereof, the Chief of Police is hereby directed and empowered forthwith to enter upon said land and cause all buildings, erections and obstructions standing on and projecting over the line of said Pearl Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down, removed and carried away, or to be moved and set back to said line, and the said land to be vacated and surrendered under the direction of the committee on laying out and widening Streets.

Thorndike, Richardson, Partridge, Jewell. Washington St.

Whereas in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Washington Street should be widened at the place in which the parties named below appear to be interested, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to J. P. Thorndike,

Mrs. Fanny Richardson, of Medford, Atlin Partridge & Insley
said that the said intend to widen the [illegible] March 7. 1853.
-tioned, by taking a part of the land aforesaid, and laying
out the same as a public street and that Monday, the four-
-teenth day of March instant, at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned
as the time for hearing any objections which may be made
thereto.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that a part of Pearl Street should be discontinued as a public Street or way of the said City, a parcel of land bounded as follows viz: Beginning at the Northwesterly corner of the said premises, at the Southeasterly corner of land taken from said G. W. Crockett, by an Order of this Board dated this 7th of March 1853. to widen Pearl Street, thence running Southeastward-ly along a line drawn from the southerly corner of Quincy Block to the westerly corner of Fort Hill Block, sixty eight feet and seventy seven hundredths of a foot; thence east-wardly on a curved line of about seven and a half feet radius, about nine feet and fifty hundredths of a foot; thence Northeastwardly, in the direction of the line of High Street as established by an order of this Board of this same date, about two feet; thence Westwardly, along the present line of Pearl Street, in a curved line about six feet and seven hun-dredths of a foot; and thence Northwestwardly, along the present line of Pearl Street sixty eight feet and eighty three hundredths of a foot, to the point of beginning containing one hundred and ninety six square feet, and forty six hundredths of a square foot, more or less: it being understood

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that the intersection of the line of Pearl Street as established by this order, with the line of High Street as established by the order above referred to, is at the distance of ninety four feet and fifty hundredths of a foot from the said corner of Quincy Block. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, discontinued as a public street or way of the said City according to a plan of the same, made by E. S. Wesbrough and deposited in the office of the said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of discontinuing the said part of Pearl Street, as aforesaid, will amount to nothing: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alteration or discontinuances in said Street, during the present municipal year does not exceed the sum of Five thousand dollars.

High Street. Woodell

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that High Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public Street or way of the said city a piece of land belonging to George Woodell bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the Northeasterly corner of the said premises at the intersection of the present Northwesterly line of High Street with the Southwesterly line of Quincy Place; thence running Southwesterwardly, along said line of High Street, one Hundred and forty three feet; thence Southwesterwardly, along said line of High Street, on a curved line, about four feet;

thence Northeasterwardly, along the proposed line of widening 129.
of High Street, about one hundred and forty six feet, Straight, March 7. 1853.
to the point of beginning; containing one hundred and forty
Square feet, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been
given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel
of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return
hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of
land herein described is and the same hereby is taken and
laid out as a public Street or way of the said City - accord-
ing to a plan of the said widening made by C. S. Chesbrough
dated March 7. 1853 and deposited in the office of the said
Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that
the expense of widening the said High Street, as aforesaid,
will amount to Six hundred and thirty dollars: which
sum together with the amount of estimates of previous al-
terations or discontinuances in said street, during the pres-
ent municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thou-
sand dollars.

Whereas this Board by a Brockett -
Resolve passed this day took a certain parcel of land, there- High Street.
in described, lying on High Street and laid out the same
as a public street or way of said City, it is therefore Ordered,
That due notice be given to George W. Brockett and all other
persons interested as owners, proprietors, tenants, occupants, or other-
wise, in said land that the said [illegible] pull down and re-
move away all buildings, erections and fixtures now
standing on and pertaining to the land taken from
that, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, or, more and
set back the same to the said line, and vacate and sur-

130 under the land and premises taken as aforesaid on or be=
March 7. 1853. =fore the first day of May now next ensuing. And in de=
=fault thereof, the Chief of Police is hereby directed and em=
=powered forthwith to enter upon said land and cause all
buildings, erections and obstructions standing on and pro=
=jecting over the line of said High Street, as established by
the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down, removed
and carried away, or to be moved and set back to said
line, and the said land to be vacated and surrendered
under the direction of the Committee on laying out and
widening Streets.

Washington Street. Vose

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Wash=
=ington Street should be widened and for that purpose it is
necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of
the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Josiah Vose—
bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the Northeasterly
corner of the said premises, at the Southwesterly corner of
Washington and Avery Streets; thence running Southwardly,
along the present Westerly line of Washington Street, seventeen
feet and forty three hundredths of a foot; thence Westwardly,
by other land of said Vose, one foot and eleven hundredths of
a foot; thence Northwardly, along the proposed line of wid=
=ening of Washington Street, about seventeen feet and forty
three hundredths of a foot; and thence Eastwardly, along the
Southerly line of Avery Street, fifty eight hundredths of a foot,
to the point of beginning; containing fourteen square feet,
and seventy three hundredths of a square foot, more or less.
And Whereas, due has been given of the intention of this

Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose afore- 131.
=said, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is March 7. 1853.
therefor Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be,
and the same hereby is taken and laid out as a public
Street or way of the said City - according to a plan of the
said widening made by E. S. Chestrough dated March 7th 1853.
and deposited in the office of the said Mayor and Aldermen.
And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening
the said Washington Street, as aforesaid, will amount to
Ninety dollars: which sum together with the amount of
estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said
Street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed
the sum of five thousand dollars.

Whereas this Board by a Jose-
Resolve passed this day took a certain parcel of land, therein Washington
described, lying on Washington Street and laid out the same Street.
as a public Street or way of said City, it is therefore Ordered,
That due notice be given to Josiah Fox and all other
persons interested as owners, proprietors, tenants, occupants, or
otherwise, in said land that they cut off, pull down, re=
=move and carry away all buildings, erections and obstruc=
=tions of every sort standing on and projecting over the
line of said Washington Street, as established by the Resolve
aforesaid, or, move and set back the same to the said
line, and vacate and surrender the land and premises
taken as aforesaid on or before the first day of May now
next ensuing. And in default thereof, the Chief of Police
is hereby directed and empowered forthwith to enter upon
said land and cause all buildings, erections and obstruc=

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=tons standing on and projecting over the line of said Washington Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down, removed and carried away, or to be moved and set back to said line, and the said land to be vacated and surrendered under the direction of the Committee on laying out and widening Streets.

Washington Street widened

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Washington Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public Street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Charles Blake and bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the Southwesterly corner of the said premises, at the point where the boundary line between land of said Blake and land now or late of [illegible] meets the proposed line of widening of Washington Street; thence running Westwardly, in the direction of said boundary line extended, seven feet and thirty nine hundredths of a foot; thence Northeastwardly, along the present Southeasterly line of said Street, twenty four feet and thirty six hundredths of a foot; thence Southwardly, along the boundary line between land of said Blake and land now or late of J. P. Thorndike, six feet and eighty six hundredths of a foot; and thence Southwestwardly, along said line of widening, twenty two feet and fifty five hundredths of a foot, to the point of beginning; containing one hundred and fifty two square feet, and ninety five hundredths of a square foot, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel

of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return 133.
Resolved thereof, That the said land, but no part of such 1853.
land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and
laid out as a public street or way of the said City ac-
cording to a plan of the said widening made by E. S. Ches-
brough Asst. March 7th 1853. and deposited in the office of
the said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board doth ad-
judge that the expense of widening the said Washington
Street, as aforesaid, will amount to one thousand dollars:
which sum together with the amount of estimates of pre-
vious alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the
present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five
thousand dollars.

Whereas this Board by a Re- Blake-
solve passed this day took a certain parcel of land, therein de- Washington
scribed lying in Washington Street and laid out the same Street
as a public street or way of said city. Therefore Ordered
That due notice be given to Charles Blake and all other
persons interested as owners, proprietors, tenants, occupants, or oth-
wise, in said land that they cut off, pull down, remove
and carry away all buildings, erections and obstructions
of every sort standing on and projecting over the line of
said Washington street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid,
or, move and set back the same to the said line, and vacate
and surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid
on or before the first day of April now next ensuing. And
in default thereof the City Marshal is hereby directed and
empowered forthwith to enter upon said land and cause
all buildings, erections and obstructions standing on said

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projecting over the line of said Washington Street, as es=
tablished by the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down,
removed and carried away, or to be moved and set
back to said line, and the said land to be vacated and
surrendered under the direction of the Committee on lay=
=ing out and widening Streets.

Richmond Street - Robinson.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Richmond Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public Street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to George W. Robinson bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the North=westerly corner of the said premises, on the present Northeasterly line of Richmond Street, at the Southerly corner of a brick building belonging to said Robinson; thence running North eastwardly, along the side of said building, two feet and fifty two hundredths of a foot; thence Southeastwardly, along the proposed line of widening of said Street, thirty three feet and twenty hundredths of a foot; thence Southwestwardly, partly by other land of said Robinson and partly by said Street, two feet and fifty four hundredths of a foot; and thence Northwestwardly, along the present Northeasterly line of said Street, thirty three feet and twenty hundredths of a foot, to the point of beginning; containing eighty five square feet, and sixty six hundredths of a square foot, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed. It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described

be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public Road or way of the said City according to a plan of the said widening made by C. J. Chesbrough dated March 7th 1853 and deposited in the office of the said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Richmond Road, as aforesaid, will amount to three hundred and forty three dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuance in said Road, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. 135. March 7. 1853.

Whereas this Board by a Resolve passed this day took certain parcels of land therein described, lying on Richmond Street and laid out the same as a public Road or way of said City, it is Therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to George W. Robinson and all other persons interested as owners, proprietors, tenants, occupants or otherwise, in said land that they cut off, pull down, remove and carry away all buildings, erections and obstructions of every sort standing on and projecting over the line of said Richmond Road as established by the Resolve aforesaid, or, move and set back the same to the said line, and vacate and surrender the land and premises as aforesaid on or before the first day of April now next ensuing. And in default thereof, the Chief of Police is hereby directed and empowered forthwith to enter upon said land and cause all buildings, erections and obstructions standing on and projecting over the line of said Richmond Road, as established by the Resolve Robinson. Richmond Road.

156 aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down, removed and carried
March 7. 1853. away, or to be moved and set back to said line, and the
said land to be vacated and surrendered under the direc-
tion of the Committee on laying out and widening Streets.

Amee. The Joint Standing Committee
Jail Lands. of Public Lands, to whom was referred the petition of J. H. B.
Amee asking that he may be released from certain condi-
tions contained in his Contract in relation to the Old Jail
Lands, having considered the subject, ask leave to Report:
That the alteration of the contract made between the City
and your petitioner is expedient so far as concerns Lots No 11
to 20. inclusive, as shown on a plan of the premises in the
office of the Superintendent of Public Lands: on condition,
however, that the petitioner shall cause the Common Sewer,
referred to in the seventh Section of said contract, to be con-
structed within two years from Nov. 25. 1851. They therefore recom-
mend to the City Council the passage of the following Order.
For the Committee, Isaac Davis. Ordered: That the Joint
Standing Committee on Public Lands be and they are
hereby authorized to release J. H. B. Amee from certain con-
ditions or restrictions, contained in the agreement made
between the City of Boston and him, so far as the same are
applicable to Lots No 11. to 20. inclusive on a plan of the Old
Jail Lands on such terms as said Committee may
deem for the best interest of the City. In Common Council.
Read, accepted and the order passed. Came up for concur-
rence. Read and concurred.

Ordered: That the Commit- March 7. 1853.
-tee on Claims be authorized to procure and print for the
use of the City Council a full report of the case of Ezra A. Bourne
vs the City of Dalton recently tried in Berkshire County. Sent Bourne
down for concurrence, came up concurred, March 10th

Ordered: That the City Solici- Commissioners'
-tor under the direction of the Committee on the Harbor be in- Fines.
-structed to appear before the Legislative Committee on Mercan-
-tile Trials and Attachment and defend the city's right and
interest in the location of the Commissioners' Fines in the
Harbor of Boston. Sent down for concurrence. Came up con-
-curred, March 10th

Petition of A. D. Ashley & others, Ashley
that the City would provide a sum of money instead of a & Others.
room for an Armory of the Boston Light Infantry. Referred
to the Committee on Public Buildings in concurrence.

Petition of Benjamin F. Eaton Eaton.
and others, in favor of the appointment of Osgood Eaton
as Surveyor General of Lumber. Came up from the Common
Council. Read and passed in

Ordered: That two thous- Harbor
-and copies of the Report of the Committee on the Harbor for Report.
1852. which is now in the press be printed for the use of the
last and present City Council. Sent down for concurrence
Came up concurred March 10th

The Joint Standing Com- Water
-mittee on Water to whom was referred a proposed Ordinance Rules

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in addition to an Ordinance in relation to Water Rates, have fully considered the same and unanimously Report: That it is inexpedient to take any action thereon. For the Committee, Benjamin Seaver, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Hooper Sewall R.R.

Remonstrance of Henry N. Hooper & al and others, against permitting the Sewall Rail Road to cross Causeway Street. Referred to the joint Special Committee on that subject. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, March 10th

Nightingale Library.

Communication of James Nightingale covering a donation of One hundred dollars for the City Library was referred to the Trustees of the Public Library. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred March 10th

Auditor's Estimates

Ordered: That the Committee on the Auditor's Estimates have leave to report in print. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Cambridge Rail Road

Order of Notice on the petition to the Legislature by the Cambridge Rail Road Company for leave to enter the City of Boston through certain Streets to Bowdoin Square. Referred to the Joint Special Committee who have in charge the subject of the Metropolitan Rail Road. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred March 10th

City Solicitor

Communication from the City Solicitor giving notice of his proposed temporary absence from the City. Referred to Aldermen Rich and Whiting with such

as the Common Council may join, with authority to take 139.
such action in the premises as they may deem expedient.
Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred March 10th and
Messrs. Nickson, A. H. Rice and Bullock were joined.

Adjourned to Wednesday next at 12 M.

At a meeting of the Board
of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City
Hall on Wednesday the Ninth day of March, A. D. 1853.

Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen Whit-
-ing, Cary and Frost.

On the petition of the "Peak Family" for leave to give a Concert at Lyceum Hall (South Boston) the Committee on Licenses reported in favor of grant-
ing the same. Read and accepted. Peak Family

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Feby 1853. Brown

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Convention

Delegates

Chosen.

On the petition of J. B. Brown for leave to exhibit a model of San Francisco at the Horticultural Hall, School Street, the Committee on Licenses reported in favor of granting the same. Read and accepted.

On the petition of Bryants Minstrels for leave to give a series of Concerts at the Melodeon on and after March 11. 1853. the Committee on Licenses reported in favor of granting the same. Read and accepted.

Aldermen Rich and White having been appointed a Committee to examine the returns of votes given in the several Wards on Monday last for forty four Delegates to the Convention to be holden in May next_submitted the following Report: The Committee appointed to examine the returns of votes from the several Wards given on Monday last for the election of 44 Delegates to the Convention for Revising or altering the Constitution of Government of this Commonwealth_having attended to that duty report; that said votes are correctly entered and recorded in the Book kept for that purpose_from which it appears that the whole number of votes is 6234

Necessary for choice 3118

William Appleton, Francis Brinley, Sidney Bartlett, George W. Boyden, Isaac Sigelow, James A. Beebe, Benjn Dwight, George W. Crockett, Rufus Choate, Charles Edward Cook, Francis B. Crowninshield, William Dehon, William J. Eustis, Samuel A. Eliot, A. G. Farwell, John C. Gray, Joel Giles, Henry J. Gardner,

William J. Hubbard, George S. Hillard, Nathan Hale, George Hayward, Thomas Hopkinson, Samuel H. Jenks, George H. Kuhn, Frederick W. Lincoln, Jr. Samuel K. Lothrop, George Mory, Francis C. Gerrish, Samuel D. Parker, James W. Paige, Jonathan Preston, James Read, Henry B. Rogers, Sampson Reed, William Schouler, George R. Sampson, Peleg Sprague, J. Thomas Stevenson, John Souther, John S. Tyler, George B. Upton, Thomas Wetmore, Jon. H. Wilkins having the requisite number are accordingly elected. For the Committee, T. P. Rich, Chairman. Read and accepted. Ordered: That the persons, who have been chosen Delegates as aforesaid, be notified of their Election, according to law.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

Thursday March 10. 1853.

John A. Cummings, Member elect of the Common Council from Ward 11. in place of Gardner F. Dana, resigned, appeared accompanied by his colleague Mr. Tilton, and was duly qualified by the Mayor who administered to him the oaths of office required by law.

Common Council member qualified.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the Fourteenth day of March, A.D. 1853.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen Whiting and Frost.

Smith- Chardon Stred. Petition of George G. Smith and others, and of Lambert Maynard and others, in aid of the petition of B.B. Mussey and others for the extension of Chardon Stred to Market Stred. Referred to the Committee on laying out and widening Streets.

Gray- Dorr- Dorr. Petition of William Gray, for leave to construct coal holds under the Sidewalk in Mount Vernon Stred;- of the Heirs of Lucinda Dorr for the grade of Davis Stred;- of Henry Dorr to be compensated for the damage sustained in consequence of the alteration of the grade of Church Stred. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Brown. Petition of G.W. Brown for a license as a Dealer in Second hand articles. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Thorp Petition of Sophia Thorp & others, that a lamp may be placed and lighted on Foster place. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Thacher. Petition of George C. Thacher and others for the construction of a cesspool in Silver Stred. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Benjamin Stimson and others that the City would accept and dedicate as a Public Square of the City the tract of land called "Belmont Square" East Boston. Referred to the Committee on Common and Public Squares — March 14, 1853. Stimson — Belmont Sq.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Washington Street by taking land of Thorndike and others, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power — Washington Street.

The Joint Special Committee to whom was referred so much of the Mayor's Address as relates to Paving and Internal Health, having considered these subjects, ask leave to report — That these departments of the Municipal Government have become — Paving Internal Health.

now of so much importance and require in their administration the expenditure of so large an amount of money, and their duties also are so different in their character, that it seems not only proper, but necessary that the suggestion of His Honor the Mayor should be carried into effect: which advises a division of the Departments. They therefore recommend the passage of the following Order. For the Committee, Jacob Sleeper, Chairman. Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances be, and they are hereby instructed to report to the City Council, an Ordinance establishing the office of a Superintendent of the Internal Health Department, and defining its duties. Read, accepted and the order passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred March 17th

March 11. 1853. Water waste &c.

The Committee on Water, to whom was referred so much of the Report of the Cochituate Water Board, as relates to making the wanton and illegal waste of the water a penal offence, subjecting the parties committing it to a fine, before the proper legal tribunal, (see City Document No 51. 1852.) have attended to the duty assigned them, and submit the following Report: In relation to the waste of water, either wanton or illegal, your Committee find that the complaints are numerous, and by no means confined to any one class of water takers, among the most prominent are the keepers of Hotels, and Livery Stables, your Committee have been informed by the President of the Cochituate Water Board, that Meters are to be placed in all the principal Hotels, Livery Stables, and other places where large quantities of water are used; when this shall have been accomplished it will only remain for the City Council to adjust the Water Rates upon a proper basis and provide for withholding its use in all cases that may be deemed necessary. The other source of complaint arises from the wanton or illegal use of water by private families in cold weather, by allowing the water to be kept running during the night to prevent freezing; and in Water Closets and urinals, the same thing is quite common under the pretence of necessity. It appears to your Committee that the provisions of law on this subject are amply efficient, if faithfully enforced to prevent any unnecessary waste of water. The penalty of the laws, is the expulsion of the wrong water rate previously paid, before it is again let on, is doubtless as severe a judgement as would, in most cases, be im-

pted by the Police Court, providing the act was made a penal offence. There can scarcely be a doubt that an enforcement of the present Ordinance upon the subject, would be much more acceptable to the water takers than a constant liability to be arraigned before the Police Court, for the delinquency of careless servants, or the acts of others in their employ, which might not otherwise come to their knowledge. For the Committee, Thomas Sprague. Accepted in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Advertising

The Board proceeded by ballot to the choice of eight daily papers to do the City Advertising in addition to the East Boston Ledger and the South Boston Gazette and the ballots having been taken and counted, it appeared that the Daily Post, Daily Atlas, Daily Courier, Daily Advertiser, Daily Chronicle, Evening Journal, Evening Transcript, Evening Herald were elected in concurrence with the Common Council.

Ann St. Wilkinson & Pratt

Whereas in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Ann street should be widened at the place in which Messrs Pratt and Wilkinson claim to be interested, as trustees, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Messrs Pratt & Wilkinson that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land known as Ann Street Court, and laying out the same as a public street, and that Monday the twenty first day of March instant at 4 o'Clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objection which may be made thereto.

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Washington Street. Richardson & Wesley

Whereas in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Washington Street should be widened at the place in which the parties named below appear to be interested. It is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to Mrs Fanny Richardson and Mrs Frances Ann Wesley that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street, and that Monday, the twenty first day of March instant at four o'clock, P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Water Rates Matter

The Report of the Committee on Water declaring it inexpedient take any further action on the subject of an Ordinance respecting Water Rates which was accepted in this Board March 7th last, having been recommitted in the Common Council with instructions for the Committee to hear the petitioners; said action came up for concurrence. Read and nonconcurred, as there are no petitioners in the case. Sent down for concurrence.

Hook & Ladder 6 No 1.

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be directed to provide a suitable place for deposit of Hook and Ladder Company No 1. in a part of the Primary School House on Friend Street by altering the same at an expense not exceeding One thousand dollars, which shall be charged to the appropriation for Public Buildings: Sent down for concurrence. Concurred March 17th

The Committee on Inter- March 14. 1853.
-nal Health offered an order for the renewal of the House
Offal Contract with Nahum Ward on the same terms and
conditions as heretofore. Read and laid on the Table. Offal.

Ordered: That the Old Old Colony
Colony Rail Road Company be notified to shew cause on Rail Road,
Monday next at four o'clock P.M. why all gates, posts & Division
other obstructions now standing in Division Street, South Street.
Boston (through which a free passage for the public is at
present prevented) should not be removed forthwith.

Ordered: That the City Regis- Intra-mural
-trar be, and he is hereby directed to grant no license to Interments.
bury or inter any dead body in either of the following (vide Oct. 1st
named burial grounds, places, cemeteries and tombs, 1855)
on or after the first day of July next, to wit:- The Hull Street
Burial Ground, The Granary Burial Ground, the Chapel
Burial Ground, and the tombs under St. Pauls Church,
Trinity Church, Park Street Church, and Christ Church.

Communication from the Audi- Appropriations.
-tor stating that additions are needed to the appropriations
for House of Industry; Grammar Schools; Lamps; New
Suffolk School House; and Wood. Read in Common
Council & the Committee on Finance, came up for concur-
-rence. Read and concurred.

Ordered: That Messrs Jones, Independence
Cowdin, Roberts, Stearns, and Warren with such as the Mayor

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and Aldermen may join & a Committee with full power to make such arrangements as they may deem expedient for the celebration on the fourth of July next of the Declaration of the Independence of the United States and that the expense thereof be charged to Incidental Expenses and Miscellaneous Claims: provided that the expense of the celebration shall not exceed Six thousand dollars. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and the Mayor, Aldermen Rich, Lary and Whiting were joined.

Ann Street - Matthews.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Ann Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public Street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Nathan Matthews — bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the Southeasterly corner of the said premises, at the point where the proposed line of widening of Ann Street (said line being the easterly line of said Street, as established by an order of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen dated December 1st 1852 extended Southwardly) meets the northerly line of Ann Street Place so called; thence running westwardly, along said northerly line, nine feet; thence Northwardly, along the present easterly line of said Street, nineteen feet and eighty hundredths of a foot; thence eastwardly, along the southerly line of land taken from said Matthews, by said order, to widen said Street, six feet and eighty nine hundredths of a foot; and thence southwardly, along said proposed line of widening, nineteen feet and sixteen hundredths of a foot, to the point

of beginning; containing one Hundred and fifty three 119.
square feet and twenty eight Hundredths of a square foot, March 14, 1853.
more or less. And whereas due notice has been given of the
intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for
the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto
annexed. It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before
described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out
as a public Street or way, & the said City according to
a plan of the said widening made by E. S. Chesbrough dat-
ed Feb. 14th 1853, and added to, Feb. 28th 1853 and deposited in
the Office of the said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board
doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Main
Street, as aforesaid, will amount to Fifteen Hundred dollars:
which sum together with the amount of estimates of pre-
vious alterations or discontinuances in said Street, during
the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five
Thousand dollars.

Whereas this Board by a Re- Nathan Matthews
solve passed this day took a certain parcel of land, therein Ann St:
described, lying on Ann Street and laid out the same
as a public Street or way of said City, it is therefore Order-
ed That due notice be given to Nathan Matthews and
all other persons interested as owners, proprietors, tenants,
occupants, or otherwise, in said land that they cut off,
pull down, remove and carry away all buildings, erec-
tions and obstructions of every sort standing on and pro-
jecting over the line of said Ann Street, as established
by the Resolve aforesaid, or, move and set back the same
to the said line, and vacate and surrender the land

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and premises taken as aforesaid on or before the first day of April next ensuing. And in default thereof, the Chief of Police is hereby directed and empowered forthwith to enter upon said land and cause all buildings, erections and obstructions standing on and projecting over the line of said Ann Street, as established by the Report aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down, removed and carried away, or to be moved and set back to said line, and the said land to be vacated and surrendered under the direction of the Committee on laying out and widening Streets.

Nathan Matthews
Ann Street.

Ordered, That there be paid to Nathan Matthews the sum of Fifteen hundred Dollars for land taken to widen Ann Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets.

Watchman

On nomination by the Mayor, J. W. G. Davison was appointed on the Watch.

East Boston Ferry.

Order of notice on petition to the Legislature by Paul Curtis and others for the establishment of a new Ferry to East Boston, was referred to Aldermen White, Frost, and James with full power.

Stebbins
Charles Street

Ordered, That there be paid to Isaac Stebbins the sum of One thousand dollars for land

taken to widen Charles Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. March 14, 1853.

Ordered, That the Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands be, and they are hereby authorized to settle the claims of the Boston Water Power Company and Thos. Baldwin for land taken by the City Council Dec. 1852, to widen Tremont Street; by conveying to said Company and to said Thos. Baldwin, as much land belonging to the City, as is equivalent in value to the land taken from said Water Power Company and said Baldwin, and the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute such deeds as may be necessary in the premises; said Water Power Company and said Baldwin to give to the aforesaid deeds of the land taken from them respectively, as aforesaid. Passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up & concurred. March 17th Tremont Street. Boston Water Power Co. & Baldwin.

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Common Sewers be, and he is hereby, authorized to cause the Common Sewer in Eutaw Street, to be extended as far towards low water mark, as may be deemed necessary by the Committee on Sewers and Drains. Eutaw Street.

Ordered, That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the owners and abutters on East Castle Street, and on Harrison Avenue between Pine and East Castle Harrison Avenue

152 East Castle Street, to cause their Sidewalks to be paved with
March 14, 1853. Brick or Flat Stones, according to Law, within twenty days
from the date hereof.

Fire Apparatus. Ordered, That in order to make better provision for the security of the City from Fire, the following disposition be made of the Fire Apparatus belonging to the City. That Engine No. 12, which is an addition to the Department, be placed in the Engine House now occupied by Hydrant No. 7, on Tremont Street. That the Hydrant carriage in Tremont Street be placed in the House now occupied by Engine No. 8, in Church Court. That Engine No. 4. be placed in one of the arches of the Reservoir on Berne Street.

Fire Hose. Ordered: That the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department be and he is hereby authorized to place a Hose Carriage and Apparatus in the vicinity of the Bay State Iron Mill, at South Boston; said Carriage and apparatus to be placed under the care of the Directors of said Iron Company, subject to the supervision of the Board of Engineers of the Boston Fire Department.

Old Colony Rail Road. On the protest of the Old Colony Rail Road Company against the acceptance of a portion of South Street, the Committee on Streets reported a reference of said matter to the Committee on Paving. Read, accepted and referred accordingly.

Use. Use for leave to close up Avery Street. On the petition of Josiah Use for leave to close up Avery Street during the erection of his building on the corner of said Street and Washington

street, the Committee on Paving reported in favor of granting the request of the petitioner provided the work be done under the direction of the Chief of Police. Read and accepted.

Farwell. Union Park.

On the petition of Luther Farwell Jr. that the sidewalk on Union Park may be laid. the Committee on Paving reported that the Superintendent of Streets be directed to lay said sidewalk in conformity with the order passed May 26. 1851. Read & accepted.

Hunnewell Marion & Bennington Streets.

On the petition of John L. Hunnewell: Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a common Sewer in Marion and Bennington Streets, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their particular Drains into such common Sewer, or who by any other remote means shall receive any benefit thereby: & any person making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Rainsford Island.

The Committee on External Health who were directed to report what property, if any, on Rainsford Island belongs to the City of Boston, and what disposition ought to be made thereof, reported that no action is required thereon at present. Read and accepted.

Grove

On the petition of John C. Howe and others that suitable crossing stones may be laid in Ferdinand Street, between Milk and Franklin Streets, the Commit

154. be on Paving reported, that capping Stones be laid by the
March 11. 1853. Superintendent of Streets, as prayed for; the expense thereof
to be borne by the petitioners. Read and accepted.

Lane Piece. On the petition of the Primary School Committee for District No 10. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be and he is hereby directed to pave Lane Piece.

Crocker- Charles Stred. On the petition of Henry Crocker and others,- Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be instructed to have Charles Street paved, north of Cambridge Street, in front of the New Jail.

Mathews- Clark Street. On the petition of Nathan Mathews for leave to use and occupy the lower part of Clark Street for a few days, the Committee on Paving directed that the lower part of Clark Street be closed under the supervision of the City Police for thirty days. Read and accepted.

Way. The Committee on Paving to whom was referred the petition of Samuel A. Way to be compensated for the damage sustained to him from obstructions in Sparhawk Street, reported a copy of said petition to the Cochituate Water Board. Read, accepted and referred accordingly. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred March 17th.

Healy- Justices' Court. Petition of J. P. Healy and others, members of the Suffolk Bar for enlarged accommodations in the Justices' Court Room for Suffolk County. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board.

On the petition of Wellington 155.
Burnell and others to be compensated for the damage sus- March 14, 1853.
tained by them from raising the grade of Shaurmud Aven- Burnell.
ue, the Committee on Petitions reported that the petitioners
have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

The Committee on Public Build- Provincial
ings, who were directed to inquire into the expediency of Hall
improving the present interior of Provincial Hall and to re-
port a plan for that purpose, having attended to that duty,
ask leave to Report. That by raising the upper ceiling of
the Hall, and removing from the building the present arma-
ries, which are conceded by all parties to be too low and con-
tracted for the purpose for which they are used, an additi-
onal gallery can be obtained for the Hall, capable of con-
taining 350 persons. The interior effect of the Hall, thus en-
larged, will be very much improved, and no detriment be
occasioned to the building. Persons conversant with the laws
of sound, with whom your Committee have consulted, are
unanimously of opinion, that public speakers will be more
easily heard in the enlarged Hall than in the present
one. It is not intended to change or alter the present form
or fashion of the Hall, but simply to add the proposed gal-
lery. The accompanying plan and statement, drawn by
G. F. Bagnall, exhibit the interior as it is intended it be
finished, which can be entirely accomplished for the sum
of eleven thousand five hundred dollars, as per estimate
of Mr. Bagnall made attached. Bill is contemplated to
adopt a new regulation concerning the armories for

the volunteer militia, their interests will not suffer by the
March 17, 1853. removal of the rooms in Faneuil Hall. The improvement
proposed is so manifest and desirable, that your Committee recommend the passage of the following order. For the Committee, Benjamin James Chairman. Ordered, That the Committee on Public Buildings be, and they are hereby authorized, to alter and improve the present interior of Faneuil Hall, in accordance with the plan proposed by G. J. F. Bryant, providing the expense thereof shall not exceed the sum of eleven thousand five hundred dollars.

Read, laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

Winthrop Light Guard

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred the petition of the Winthrop Light Guard, to be paid for the rent of their armory, since April 1852. having attended to that subject, ask leave to report: That the Company called the Winthrop Light Guard were disbanded on the third day of November 1852. and that the room formerly occupied by them was relinquished at the end of that quarter, leaving the rent for three quarters of a year still due to them. Your Committee therefore recommend the passage of the following order. For the Committee, Benjamin James, Chairman. Ordered: That there be paid to William P. Huston, late Commander of the Winthrop Light Guard, so called, the sum of Seventy five dollars in full for all claims of said Company on the City of Boston, for the rent of the room lately occupied by them at South Boston, as an armory, and that said sum be charged to Incidental Expenses and

Miscellaneous Claims. Read, accepted and the order passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. March 24th

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Memorial of the Officers of the First Regiment, First Brigade, First Division of the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia respecting Armories for the Companies of said Regiment. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings in concurrence.

Armories.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the Twenty first day of March, A.D. 1853.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Petition of M. J. Mooney, for leave to give a Concert at the Melodeon. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Mooney

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Petition of Thomas L. Gerish, for a license as a Dealer in Second Hand Articles. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Gerish.

Gray.

Petition of Henry L. Gray and Son to be appointed Agents for the sale of liquor under the existing laws. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Parker

Petition of Richard G. Parker and others, that a lamp may be placed and lighted in Kneeland Place. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Standish.

Peterson.

Adams.

Petition of James Standish and others for an extension of the Warren Street sewer,- of Seth C. Peterson and others, that the Princeton Street sewer may be extended,- of Joseph H. Adams and others that a common Sewer may be laid in Everett Street, between Hanson and Cottage Streets. Referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains.

Brigham.

Washington Street.

Petition of William Brigham & others, for the widening of Washington Street on the westerly side, near Union Park. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

McKay. Blaney.

Monmouth & Saratoga Streets.

Petition of Donald McKay & others, that Monmouth Street be graded,- of David H. Blaney, and others that Saratoga Street be graded between Maverick and Chelsea Streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of James H. Stevens 1st

and others, that Wall Street may be lighted with Gas or Oil; and that suitable crossing Stones be laid in the vicinity of said Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving and Lamps. March 21. 1853. Stevens.

Petition of the East Boston Iron and Gas Company for leave to open the streets of East Boston for the purpose of sinking Gas Pipes. Referred to the Committee on Paving. East Boston Iron & Gas Co.

Petition of Samuel Millard, and others, for leave to plant trees in Hudson & Tyler Streets; - of Geo. H. Winslow to be compensated the damage sustained by him from raising the grade of Church Street; - of Samuel Cook and others that Newbury may be paved from R. to Dorchester Streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Millard. Winslow. Cook.

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a Common Sewer in Marion Street, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Sewers and Drains with full power. Marion Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Washington Street by taking land in which Mrs. T. Richardson and Mrs. T. F. Marsh are interested, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power. Washington Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Ann Street by taking property of E. F. Pratt and Simon Wilkinson, said subject was re- Ann Street.

committed to the Committee on Streets with full power.

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Kimball Library.

Remonstrance of Moses Kimball and others against the proposed location of the Public Library on Somerset Street. Referred to the Committee on the Public Library. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Preston Washington Street.

Whereas J. P. Preston has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Washington Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Preston that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street — and that Monday, the twenty eighth day of March inst. at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Goodall Theatre.

On the petition of William K. Goodall and others for a license for the American Theatre in Sudbury Street, the Committee on Licenses reported that the prayer of the petitioners be granted, provided the City Police only are employed and that their expenses be paid weekly in advance. Read and accepted.

Second hand articles

G.W. Brown was licensed as a Dealer in Second Hand Articles.

On the petition of William Gray for leave to construct coal holds under the sidewalk on Mount Vernon Street the Committee on Paving reported in favor granting the prayer of the petitioner on the usual requirements. Read and accepted. — March 21. 1853. — Gray.

Remonstrances of Charles H. Wells, & others, Rufus Choate, and others, Charles H. Parker, & others; Thos. P. Hale and others; Grace Adams and others; John Jenney, and others; William H. Garfield and others; against the proposed location of the Public Library on Somerset Street. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on the Public Library. came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. — Public Library.

On the petition of David Pulsifer and others for the City to build a bridge over the Rail Road crossing in Albany Street. the Committee on Streets reported that as Albany Street has not been accepted at the place referred to, it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioner. Read and accepted. — Pulsifer & Albany St.

On the notice & intention to build by Jonathan Preston on Davis Street, the Committee on laying out and widening Streets reported that no action is required in relation to the lines of said Street. and that so much of said notice as relates to the Sewers be referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains. Read, accepted and referred accordingly. — Preston & Davis St.

On nomination of the Mayor, Daniel D. Hartley was appointed a Special Police. — Special Police

162. Officer for the Church of the Advent, East Boston.— And
March 21. 1853. Gilbert Simonds a Special Police Officer for the Lunatic Hospital, South Boston.

Harbor. Communication from Joseph K. Mansfield concerning the proper preservation of Boston Harbor. Referred to the Committee on the Harbor with authority to print. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred March 24.

Thacher. On the petition of William S. Thacher and others, that Telegraph Hill may be called and known as "Webster Park" the Committee on Common and Public Squares reported that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners. Read and accepted.

Tracy. On the petition of Miss Tracy for leave to use and hire the Public Garden, so called, for a term of years, the Committee on the Common and Public Squares reported, that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petition. Read & accepted.

Paige — Wales. On the petitions of James W. Paige, and others, and of Thomas B. Wales, and others, that the Public Garden, so called, may be called and known as "Webster Park," the Committee on Common and Public Squares reported that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners. Read and accepted.

Webster Street. Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the owners and abutters on Webster Street, between Lewis and Cottage Streets, to cause their side-

walks to be paved with Brick or Flat Stones, according to law, 163.
within twenty days from the date hereof. March 21. 1853.

Ordered: That Josiah Dun- Dunham.
ham and Silas Dunham 2d be notified to appear before
this Board on Monday next, the 28th instant, at four
o'clock P.M. and shew cause why a wooden building
and other obstructions belonging to them, and which now
project over the line of Leith and Union Sts and ought
should not be forthwith removed.

Ordered: That Cyrus Alger Alger.
be notified to appear before this Board on Monday next the Foundry
28th instant, at four o'clock P.M., and shew cause why Shed.
a building and other obstructions, belonging to him, which
now project over the line of Foundry or Gen Lind [illegible]
ed, should not be forthwith removed.

Petition of George W. Ellis, Ellis
to be remunerated for loss of time and expenses caused by
[illegible]ing caused in the discharge of his duties as a
Watchman. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent
down for concurrence. Came up concurred, March 21th

Petition of Joseph A. Wood, [illegible]
to be compensated the damage sustained by him in conse-
quence of an [illegible] laid in Washington Street. Referred to
the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. Came up con-
curred March 21th

Alderman Hayes called [illegible]
up from the Table the following order, which was read & Gas Co.

164. adopted. Ordered: That the Contract made on the fourteenth
March 21. 1853. day of August 1848 between the City of Boston and Nahum
Ward, for the sale and removal of House Offal, which ex-
pires by limitation on the fourteenth day of November next
be renewed upon the same terms and conditions for five years
from said fourteenth of November and that the Mayor be
and he is hereby authorized to sign said new contract
on behalf of the City.

Franklin Communication from the
Fund. Treasurer of the Franklin Fund, stating his Accounts are
ready for examination; read and Aldermen White and
Whiting were appointed a Special Committee to examine
said Accounts.

Commercial Ordered: That the Superin-
Street. tendent of Streets be and he is hereby directed to have the
sidewalk on Commercial Street opposite Faneuil Hall Mark-
et made of a width not exceeding ten feet.

Library- The Joint Standing Commit-
teen. tee on the Public Library, who were authorized, under the
order of the 21st of February last, "to procure and purchase
a suitable Site for the erection of a building, which shall be
adequate to all the purposes for which the Public Library
of the City of Boston has been established," respectfully Re-
port: That they have given particular attention to the
subject, and believing that the "Loring Estate" in Somerset
Street offers more advantages for the purpose, than any other
within the knowledge of the Committee, they have with
the full and unanimous concurrence and recommenda-

upon the Petition of Charles G. Loring, praying for
the same, at the rate of four dollars per square foot. The March 21. 1853.
Plate contains by the survey of Alex. Wadsworth 8688 square
feet and amounts to the sum of Thirty four thousand seven
hundred and twenty dollars. They therefore recommend the
passage of the annexed Order. For the Committee Benjamin
Seaver, Chairman. Ordered: That the Treasurer be, and he
is hereby authorized to borrow, under the direction of the
Committee on Finance, a sum not exceeding Thirty five
thousand dollars, to be appropriated for the purchase of
the "Loring Estate" in Somerset Street, which has been select-
ed as a site for the Public Library of the City of Boston.
Accepted in common Council, and the order passed; Yeas
37. Nays 1. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.
Yeas, The Mayor, Aldermen Sleeper, James, Reed, Rich, Whit-
ing, Gay, White, and Frost—9. Nays, none.

Ordered: That the Auditor Appropriations.
of Accounts be authorized to make the following transfers
of existing Appropriations. viz: to Grammar Schools Six
thousand dollars is ranged from Primary Schools: Ships
and Schooners, Common, and
Hundred dollars from Engine Houses: Within Limits Five
hundred dollars from External Health. To Incidentals, Sev-
enty seven hundred dollars, from House of Correction and Sewers
and Drains. To Primary Schools Three hundred dollars
from Evening Grammar Schools Two hundred dollars
dollars from Primary Schools. Three thousand Dollars
and dollars from Primary Schools. Three hundred and

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dditions from Lunatic Hospital. To Salaries. Two thousand dditions from Old Claims. And such further transfers as may ecessary in closing up the business of the present financial year. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Expenditures except &c.

Whereas it appears by recent communications from the Auditor of Accounts that expenditures of the Public money have been made during the present financial year, in excess of the sums appropriated by the City Council, contrary to the provisions of Section 29th of the City Charter, and an Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance relating to the election and compensation of Instructors in the Public Schools, passed March 23. 1830; Ordered; That Messrs Homer, Bonney Russell, with such as the Board of Mayor and Aldermen may join consider and report by what expenditures were made Under what and proper authority and whether any further action is necessary to prevent the violation of Section 29th of the City Charter by any Boards or Officers acting under the authority of the City Corporation. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and laid upon the table.

Warren Street.

Alderman Reed called up from the table the Report of the Committee on laying out and widening Streets adverse to the extension of Warren Street to Boylston Street, (as recorded under date of March 7th at length, on page 121.) which having been considered was accepted by the Board.

appointed to consider and report on so much of the Mayor's Inaugural Address as relates to Public Lands, respectfully submit the following Report. The Committee believe that the city property of no interest of greater importance to the citizens at large, than that of the public lands. The management of this property both in making judicious negotiations in the sale of such portions of it as are now prepared for immediate occupancy, and also in conducting and completing the improvements in the unfinished territory, will exert an important influence on the financial affairs of the city, and on the health, comfort, and future welfare of the citizens at large. At present, the care and management of the lands belonging to the city, & so much of the improvement now and disposal of the same, is vested in the Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands, which Committee consists of the Mayor, two Aldermen and five members of the Common Council. Your Committee find that under the direction of said "Standing Committee on Public Lands," during the past two years, [illegible] the appropriations for the purchase of marsh and flats, and the extensive improvements of the "Neck" lands were commenced) about 1,500,000 square feet of land, exclusive of streets, have been reclaimed from a very unhealthy and worse than useless condition, and rendered eligible and desirable building lots, for private dwelling, and business purposes. Nine five miles of streets have been filled up and graded - common sewers have been laid therein - sidewalks have been made and edged - trees put down in a large portion of them. The public

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108. Squares have been laid out and enclosed with iron fences,
March 31 1853. and, in other respects, rendered pleasant and attractive
places of resort. Seven stone fountains have been completed,
about 1000 trees have been set out, and 3,000 feet of sea
wall have been constructed. This extensive and import=
ant improvements have been conducted at an expendi=
ture, as charged to the appropriation for Public Grounds from
January, 1846 to January, 1853) of $ 504,290 - which sum has
been appropriated, as follows:-

To the purchase of 506,062 square feet of marsh and flats,	$ 63,937
Filling up and grading 5 miles of streets, say	60,000
" Laying down 16,170 feet Common Sewer,	24,936
5000 feet Iron Fence for Public Squares,	20,000
building seven Stone Fountains.	7000
Paving sidewalks, setting edgestones and setting out 1000 trees.	6,100
constructing 3,000 feet Sea Wall.	20,000
* Filling up 1,300,000 square feet of land, and all other expenses for surveying, making plans, &c. &c.	305,317
	$ 504,290

* The Superintendent of Streets has used 10,000 squares of gran=
el for other public purposes, and the like quantity can
be used hereafter; all of which is charged in above item
of $ 305,317. In addition to the care and direction of
the above mentioned important measures, the Land com=
missioners have sold during the past ten years, (say from
January, 1843, to January, 1853,) 2,017,450 feet of land, the
receipts for which amount to $ 1,366,873. These statements
exhibit, not only the nature and importance of the

trusts which are committed to the Committee on Public Lands, but they also show whether the policy pursued by said Committee has, pecuniarily considered, been of advantage to the City. In the opinion of your Committee, none can doubt that the value of the 1,500,000 Square feet of land aforementioned as having been reclaimed from a Stagnant marsh, and added to the public land territory, has been increased at least 33⅓ cents per square foot; if so, then the sum total of the expenditures is covered, and the City gains the benefit of the original purchase of marsh and mud, viz: of the entire cost of the five miles of streets, and the common sewers laid therein, and also the cost of the Public Squares. In addition to these, the general advantages to the citizens resulting from these improvements, as compared with the original condition of the premises, are inestimable. A very considerable portion of the newly made territory, and also other sections of the Neck lands, are now prepared for building purposes. A constantly increasing demand exists for them, and your Committee agree in the opinion that the wisest discrimination should be exercised by those invested with the power of selling the same, in order that such portions as may soon be sold, may be appropriated and improved for such purposes, as may not unfavorably affect, in the future, the value of any adjoining portions remaining unsold. It also appears to your Committee as not only very desirable, but in fact almost necessary, that so important a trust as that of the public lands should not be committed to a body that is not so liable to be annually

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170 changed as is the Land Committee. No one, we think,
March 21. 1853 can fail to see that what of experience, of ability, and of
devotedness of time and application as can be com=
manded by the authorities of the City, is required. Should
be had in a matter involving such important public interests
as that of the City lands. Therefore your Committee unanimously
recommend that a Board be established, which shall be
denominated the "Board of Public Land Commissioners",
and said Board shall have all the powers now exercised,
and perform all the duties now incumbent on the Com=
mittee on Public Lands. To this end your Committee, through
a Sub-Committee appointed by us, have in conference with
the City Solicitor, drafted an Ordinance providing for the
care and management of the Public Lands, which Ordi=
nance your Committee unanimously recommend be adopt
ed by the City Council. Which is respectfully submitted.
by "Isaac Cary, Oliver Frost, Stephen Tillon, Jr. Thatcher Beal,
Samuel Welch. Committee. Accepted in Common Council.
and the Ordinance passed with amendments. Came up
for concurrence. Laid on the Table (being City Document No 13).

Snow Guards. The Committee on Ordinances,
to whom was referred the order of Jan^y 20^th in relation to Snow
Guards, have considered the subject and unanimously re=
port that it is not expedient to establish rules and regula=
tions concerning the same, as proposed in said order. For the
Committee, Geo. W. Warren. Accepted in Common Council.
Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

The Committee on Ordinances to whom was referred the order of February 17th to enquire into the expediency of so altering the Financial year as to conform to the Political year, have carefully considered the subject and unanimously report against a change in the same. Accepted in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read & concurred.

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Financial Year.

The 2nd Standing Committee on Public Lands to whom was referred the petition of James B. Dow and others, Report: That for the purpose of facilitating the completion of proposed improvements in the continuation of Chester Street on the easterly side of Harrison Avenue, it will be necessary to secure to the City a title to a portion of the land now owned by said James B. Dow which land, he, the said Dow, will convey to the City on the conditions, that the City will release said Dow from certain condition expressed in the Deed of said land— and that said Street shall be laid out and graded at an early day. The Committee believing that said conditions have become of no importance to the City (as the proposed plan of improvements in the South Bay landing has been entirely changed since April 1830. when the land was sold by the City to Winslow Lewis) do unanimously recommend the passage of the following order. Per the Committee, Stephen Fitch Jr Chmn. That the 2nd Standing Committee on Public Lands be and they hereby are authorized to receive such conveyance of land from James B. Dow as shall be found necessary for the continuation of Chester Street on the easterly side of

2nd Cor. Chester St.

Thomas Brown and the Mayor & Aldermen, authorized
March 31 1853 to enter into & execute in the deed & bond con-
veyed & to be conveyed to, under date of April 19th 1830.
as said Committee may deem for the best interests of
the City. Passed in Common Council. Came up for con=
currence. Read and concurred.

Advertising. Ordered: That no bills for
advertising be paid unless approved by the Committee on
Printing after having satisfied themselves by personal
examination or otherwise that the work has been faith-
fully performed; and that no bills for advertising in
other papers than those with which a yearly contract
shall be made in accordance with the accepted report
upon the subject, be paid, without a special vote of the City
Council. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concur-
rence. Read and concurred.

Police Court. Ordered: That the salary
of Seth Tobey, late Clerk of the Police Court, be continued
and paid at the rate of fifteen hundred dollars per
annum from February 18. 1853. to April 1. 1853. in consid-
eration of extra services rendered by him during said
period; said amount to be charged to the Appropriation for
Salaries. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred,
March 31st

Old Colony Rail Road Division St. Agreeably to assignment the
Old Colony Rail Road Company appeared by its President,
F. B. Crowninshield, and alleged that the fee of Division
Street, so called, was vested in said Corporation, and that
it was not a public street or highway of this City. After

hearing their testimony in relation to the subject. the Board 173.

Adjourned to Monday next at 4 o'clock, PM.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the Twenty eighth day of March A.D. 1853

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Gay.

Petition of the "Harmoneons," for leave to give a Concert at the Melodeon March 29th. Referred to the Committee on Licenses with full power. | Harmoneons

Petition of J. F. Ferdinand for a license as a Dealer in Second Hand Articles. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. | Ferdinand.

Petition of George W. Stone, for leave to exhibit in Boston, the "Bearded Lady." Referred to the Committee on Licenses | Stone.

Petition of Wilbur & Dunckle for leave to locate a Steam Engine in Harrison Avenue, between Canton & Dedham Streets. Referred to the Committee on Steam Engines | Wilbur & Dunckle

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Petition of Daniel Simpson

March 18, 1853 that leave may be granted to erect a Fire Alarm at the Simpson. South Boston Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Fire Alarms

Communication from the Engineers of the Fire Department respecting the unsatisfactory operation of the Telegraphic Fire Alarms. Referred to the Committee on Telegraphic Fire Alarms. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred March 31st.

Fire Department.

Agreeably to the recommendation of the Engineers of the Fire Department, the Officers and members of Hydrant & Nº 4. were transferred to Engine Nº 12. to take effect on the first of April next.

Kean

Petition of Henry Kean and others that a Court leading from Everett Street may be called "Spring Place". Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Bates Library.

Communication from Joshua Bates, respecting the Building for the Public Library of Boston. Referred to the Committee on the Public Library with authority to consider and report thereon. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred March 31st

Prescott. Spinney.

Petition of George W. Prescott for leave to plant a tree in Albion Street; of Samuel R. Spinney and others that edgestones may be laid in Eighth and K Streets and the gutters paved. Refd to the Comee on Paving.

Petition of M. O. Driscoll for a 175.
sidewalk in Fifth Street, between A and B. Streets; of Samu- March 28. 1853.
el W. Popes and others that Hudson Street be paved; - of Laid over.
James B. Bradlee that Coal Holes may be constructed Popes.
under the sidewalk in Broad Street; were severally Bradlee.
referred to the Committee on Paving.

Remonstrance of Josiah Quincy Paving.
and others against the renewal of the Contract with Na- House Offal.
thum Ward respecting House Offal. Referred to the Committee
on Internal Health

Communication from Samu- Russell
el H. Russell concerning a nuisance on certain unenclosed
lots of land in the rear of Boylston Street. Referred to the
Committee on Internal Health.

Communication of Samuel Elliot-
Eliot respecting Vagrant Children and asking the City to Vagrants.
contribute to the support of the Ragged School. Referred to
the Committee on Public Instruction. Sent down for concurrence
came up concurred March 31st

Petition of William Seals, Seals.
that the contract for the display of Fire Works on the Fourth
of July next may be given to him. Referred to the Com-
mittee of Arrangements for that day. Sent down for con-
currence. came up concurred March 31st

Petition of Jonas Chickering Chickering
to purchase a lot of land belonging to the City near the
South Burying Ground. Referred to the Committee on

176 Public Lands. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concur=
March 28 1853 red March 31. 1853.

Petition of Edward Loring for
Loring appointment as an Inspector and Weigher of Lighters Re=
ferred to the Committee on that subject.

Instructs. On motion of Mr. Read the order
Expenditure for of the Common Council, which was laid on the table March 21.
authorizing a Joint Special Committee to inquire into
the authority by which an excess of expenditures for Instruct=
ors of Grammar Schools has been made over the appropriations
therefor, was taken from the table, and the Board nonconcur=
red in the reference to a Joint Special Committee and substituted
therefor the Joint Standing Committee on Public Instruction.
Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred March 31.

East Boston On the petition of the East Boston
Iron & Gas Co. Iron & Gas Company for leave to open the streets and high=
ways at East Boston for the purpose of sinking Gas Pipes; the
Committee on Paving to whom the said petition was re=
ferred, report, that another Company having been authori=
zed to open the streets in East Boston for the same purpose
for which the petitioners ask, it is inexpedient to grant their
prayer, and that they have leave to withdraw. For the Com=
mittee, J. P. Rich, Chairman. Read and laid on the Table.

Fire Ordered: That the Committee on
Alarms Telegraphic Fire Alarms be requested to examine the sub=
ject and report as soon as practicable what measures are

necessary to render the system more efficient, and to report an Ordinance for the regulation thereof." Read in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and laid upon the table, the subject being already in the charge of the Committee on Ordinances. March 28 1853

Remonstrance of John Clark and others, & G. P. Wilkins and others against the present location of their seats in the Common Council Room — and an order directing the Messenger to restore the tables for the accommodation of the Reporters for the Press to that part of the chamber formerly occupied by them. Read in Common Council to the Committee on Public Buildings Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Clark. Wilkin. Reporters.

Ordered: That the Committee on the Public Library, in conjunction with the Committee on Public Buildings, consider the practicability and expediency of providing for the Public Library and further accommodations for the City Government, by erections on the City land on School Street, by additions to the present City Hall, or, by an entirely new erection for the two objects upon the site of the present city Hall and land appurtenant. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read & concurred. Public Library

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings consider and report as soon as may be what provision can be made for the better accommodation of the voters of Wards 3. 7. 9. and 10. in holding their elections and Ward meetings. Passed in Common Coun- Ward Rooms

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ord. came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Walden.

Petition of Jacob Walden for appointment as a Weigher and Inspector of Lighters. Referred to the Committee on that subject.

Report.

A certificate came up from the Common Council that Messrs. George E. Head, Samuel Norwood, George Jackson, and Henry Sargent were chosen Assessors, on the part of that Board. Laid on the table.

Adams Division St.

On the petition of Seth Adams and others that the order of June 5. 1849. may be enforced by the Board concerning Division Street the Committee on laying out and widening Streets reported, that as the subject has already been brought before the whole Board and a hearing had thereon no further consideration of said subject by said Committee is required. Read & accepted.

Watchmen

On nomination by the Mayor, Eldridge G. Hammatt, Page Taylor, and Nathaniel C. Leavitt were appointed on the Watch.

Ruston Washington Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Washington Street, by taking land of J. S. Ruston, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Second hand articles.

Thomas L. Gerrish was licensed as a Dealer in Second hand articles.

Ordered: That the sum of twenty six dollars and twelve cents, assessed by an order of this Board, October 11th 1852. upon Mary Ann Barton for her proportional part of the cost of constructing the Common Sewer in Old Harbor Street, be, and the same is hereby abated, in consequence of her inability to pay the same. 179. March 28. 1853. Barton Old Harbor St.

On the petition of James Standish. Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next at four o'clock P.M., take into consideration the expediency of extending the Common Sewer in Warren Street and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who by any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections thereto, will then and there be heard. Standish. Warren Street.

On the petition of Joseph H. Adams. Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday, next at four o'block, P.M, take into consideration the expediency of constructing a Common Sewer in Everett Street and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who by any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections thereto, will then and there be heard. Adams. Everett Street.

On the petition of Seth C. Peterson. Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next, at four o'block, P.M. take into consideration the expediency of extending the Common Sewer in Peterson. Princeton Street.

180 Princeton Street and of assessing the expense thereof on
March 28. 1853. all persons who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who by any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Preston. On the petition of Jonathan
Davis Stud. Preston for the construction of a Common Sewer in Davis Street. The Committee on Sewers and Drains reported the following order. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Common Sewers be and he is hereby directed to cause a common Sewer to be constructed in Davis Stuet from Washington Street to Harrison Avenue, and to assess the cost thereof pursuant to Law. Read accepted and the order passed.

Green. On the petition of John Green Jr.
Washington Street. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets, under the direction of the Committee on Paving, be instructed to have Washington Street, from Dover Street to the Rail Road bridge, paved with granite blocks.

Hillman. On the petition of Geo. Hillman,
Sheafe St: and others,- Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be directed to have the Avenue from Sheafe to Prince streets paved with bricks.

Tomlinson- On the petition of John H. Tom-
Sumner St: linson,- Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be directed to have Sumner Street, above Cottage Street graded, and the gullies of the same paved.

On the petition of Edmund Snow and others,— Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be directed to have Havre Street, from Sumner Street to Maverick Square, graded and paved

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March 28. 1853.
Snow.
Havre St:

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred the petition of A. & A. Lawrence 76 & J. W. Paige 76 & and others, that the order prohibiting the use of Trucks after the 1st July next, may be rescinded, report, that the petitioners being many hundred persons; and among those who contribute largely in aiding us to mend our ways, and standing high, as they do, in respectability and influence, your Committee have deemed it important to think a good many times before they spoke once. And then might speak the better for it. They have carefully considered all the arguments advanced in favor of the repeal, but have been convinced of its expediency, that they are unanimously recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee. J. Thacher Chairman. Read and laid on the table.

Trucks—
Lawrence.

The Special Committee who were directed to nominate suitable persons to fill the offices of Haywrighers, Sealers of Weights and Measures, &c. have attended to that duty and recommend the appointment of the following persons to their respective offices. To the Board of Aldermen. Jonathan Lord Chairman. Benjamin F. Bacon, Sealer of Weights & Measures & Upper Bailiff. William Hayden and Nathan Upham Weighers. Thatcher A. Hood and Isaac Knight 2d and Benjamin F. Bradford. Jones Wales and Asa Fuller. Measurers of Wood

Haywrighers
Measurers &
Wood, Bark,
Bacon.
Hay
Lime.

182. and Bark brought by Water_ Warren Bowker and John Paul.
March 28. 1853 Sealers of Weights and Measures,_ Edward Loring, and Peter
H. Walker. Inspectors & Weighers of Bundle Hay_ E. G. Dudley,
Tyler Maynard, Israel M. Barnes, Horatio N. Crane, Caleb W.
Hurlburt, Joseph Munn, B. M. Nevers. Who were appointed
accordingly. The appointment of Inspectors and Weighers of
Boats & Lighters was laid on the table to await the passage
of an Ordinance respecting that subject.

Dimon The joint Standing Committee
on the Assessors' Department to whom was referred the petition
of George Dimon & others praying the re-payment of taxes
on some flats at South Boston, having examined into that
subject, Report: That the petitioner have leave to withdraw.
For the Committee, J. Sleeper, Chairman. Read and accepted.
Sent down for concurrence.

Oliver The Joint Standing Committee
on the Assessors' Department to whom was referred the
petition of Francis Oliver, & others praying a reduction of
their assessments, having considered the subject, respectfully Report: That an
examination into the facts of the case shews conclusively
that the estates in question belonging to Mr. Oliver are not
over-valued_ and that therefore the petitioner ought to have
leave to withdraw. For the Committee, J. Sleeper, Chairman. Read
and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Alger This being the day assigned for
Hamilton &c. Cyrus Alger to shew cause before this Board why a building
and other obstructions belonging to him and projecting over

the case of Foundry Street should not be forthwith removed, 183.
and no appearance or objection being made by any person March 28. 1853.
in the premises: the subject was laid upon the table.

Agreeably to notice Josiah Dunham-
Dunham and Josiah Dunham, Jr. appeared and laid va- Sixth Street.
rious considerations upon the Board in favor of building and
other obstructions belonging to them should not be removed
from the line of Sixth Street and after a hearing upon the
matter the further consideration of the same was laid upon
the table: and the Board

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the
Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at
City Hall on Friday the first day of April. Anno Domini 1853.

Present,

His Honor, and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen Gary
and Fest.

Ordered: That the Treasurer Appro-
be, and he hereby is, authorized to borrow, under the direction appropriations.
of the Committee on Finance, the sum of Forty thousand
dollars, and that the same be appropriated to the following

184. purposes viz:- For Pumps - Nine thousand dollars. Fire De=
partment - Seven thousand dollars. Paving Department -
Five thousand dollars. House of Industry - Seven thousand
dollars. New Boylston School House - Four thousand dollars.
County of Suffolk - Three thousand, and Interest - Five thousand
dollars. Passed in Common Council - Yeas 43. Nays, - none.
Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas, The
Mayor, Aldermen James, Sleeper, Reed, Rich, Whiting and
[illegible]. Nay - none.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of
Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City
Hall on Monday the Fourth day of April, - Anno Domini, 1853.

Present

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Brainard -
Adams Souther - & Turnpike Sts:

Petition of E. H. Brainard, and
others, that First and other streets at South Boston may be
First, Second paved - of Seth Adams and others, that Turnpike and other
streets at South Boston may be paved; - of John Souther and
others, that Second and other streets at South Boston may
be paved. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of George G. Thacher, 185.
and others that a Road may be opened from Sea Road to April 4, 1853.
South Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets. Thacher.

Communication from Samuel Four-
A. Four respecting the dangerous state of a Road between Road.
South Street and the Reservoir. Referred to the Committee
on Paving.

Petition of Samuel A. Way that Way-
the city would accept Albany Street, between Oak & Harvard Albany St.
Streets,—of Isaac Stebbins &c. to construct coal sheds Stebbins
under the sidewalk in Chandler Street,—of the Ward No. 12. Ward 12.
Heads See Ordy, that the city would grant aces in front to C
of the Public Buildings in South Boston. Referred to the Com-
mittee on Paving.

Remonstrance of Nathaniel Hammond.
Hammond and 900 others against any removal of the re- Fail Grands.
strictions under which the Fail Grands were sold by the
City. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on
Public Grands, came up for concurrence. Read & concurred.

Communication from Winslow Winslow-
Brothers, respecting the long trucks now in use in this city— Trucks
and a petition from Ezra Turtell &c. praying in rela- Turtell
tion to the same matter, were referred to the Committee on
Licenses.

Petition of Pitt Cowen & others Cowen
for the extension of Garland Street to Harrison Avenue. Re- Garland St.
ferred to the Committee on Streets.

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Petition of Joseph Tobey, and others, that a lamp may be placed and lighted on the corner of Bolton and E. Streets;- of Samuel Putnam and others that a lamp may be placed in the passage leading from Somerset Street;- of Edwin Adams and others, and of Otis Rich, and others, that Oxford Street may be lighted with Gas. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Tobey. Putnam. Adams. Rich.

Petition of W. & W.K. Lewis, that Purchase Street may be widened near the Mariners' Church. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Lewis. Purchase St.

Petition of the heirs of Benajah Brigham that the sewer in Hawkins Street may be lowered;- of Arthur McAvoy that tide gates may be placed in sewer in Chester Street;- of Samuel H. Jenks for an alteration & an additional tide gate to the common sewer in Broadway. Referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains.

Brigham. McAvoy. Jenks.

Ordered: That the Board accept and adopt the grade of Hanson Street, between Tremont Street and Shawmut Avenue, proposed by the City Engineer; said grade being shown on a plan of the same by the said Engineer, dated March 28th 1853. and deposited in the Office of the Board of Mayor & Aldermen.

Hanson Street.

The Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred the petition of Stephen Stoddard, for remuneration for extra foundation to the Primary School House in Southac Street, beg leave to Report: That

Stoddard

they have carefully investigated the subject, and find 187.
that Mr. Stoddard contracted with the City to build the Apl 6. 1855.
School House on a vacant lot of land, for a specified sum
of money, which has been paid him, he having in good faith
fulfilled his contract. It appears by the specification sub-
scribed to by said Stoddard and the City, that the foundation
was not to be laid less than four feet below the level given
by the plans, for the yard paving, and as much lower
as the Superintendent of Public Buildings & the Committee
might consider necessary. From the evidence adduced
and information obtained, it appears that the hill side,
upon which this lot of land was located is gravelly, and
to land owners and builders in this section of the City, it is
very generally understood that a good and sufficient
foundation can be obtained at the depth of four feet below
the surface, and in this vicinity it would be doing what
would be done, first and taking a precaution which
would seem unnecessary for any one, about to contract for
the erection of a building to dig a trench for the foundation
& ascertaining when the foundation should be laid, although
this precaution would be desirable in most other locations. It
further appears that the builder upon digging the trenches,
and upon arriving to the depth where he intended and
was expected by the Superintendent to lay the bottom course
of the foundation, found the remains of an old building,
which evidently had been there for many years, being
covered with earth, that the surface of the hill appeared
as the natural surface of the hill; upon removing the
floor, it became necessary for him to go from 5. to 6. feet

1888 deeper to obtain a satisfactory foundation. Your Committee
April 7, 1888 would carefully avoid any course which might mislead
a man any Contractor hereafter, to doubt that all con=
tracts with the City must be fulfilled to the letter; but this
case they consider is unlike any other that has occurred
or will be likely to again:- it is evident that with all reas-
onable care and diligence the position of the premises
was investigated previous to making the estimates upon
which the petitioner made his proposals to the City and
the results in question were wholly unexpected, not only
to the petitioner, Superintendent of Public Buildings, and the
Committee, but to several citizens who had resided in the
neighborhood for many years.- Therefore your Committee deem
it equitable that the City should bear a portion of the extra
cost of the foundation, to effect which we recommend to the
City Council the adoption of the annexed order. For the Com=
mittee, Benjamin James, Chairman. Ordered: That on the
petition of Stephen Stoddard, there be paid him for extra foun=
dation to the Primary School House in Southac Stud, the
sum of One hundred and eighty five dollars, two thirds of
this amount being for the Stone and one third for laying
them,- and that the same be charged to the appropriation for
Primary School Houses. Read, accepted and the order passed.
Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred April 21st

Thacher. On the petition of George C.
Silver Street. Thacher,- Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be
directed to have a Culvert constructed in Silver Street in
accordance with the petition of Geo C. Thacher.

Ordered: That the Super- 189.
intendent of Streets be directed to place curb stones to the April 4. 1853.
Sidewalks on K. and Eighth Streets, to pave the gutters and Spinney
place curbing stones of granite blocks, as petitioned for by K. & Eighth Sts:
J. B. Spinney and others.

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be and they are hereby authorized Engine house
to purchase a piece of land and erect thereon a House for Engine No. 6. and Hydrant &c. No. 3. the whole expense of the same not to exceed $6000 and to be charged to the appropriation for Engine Houses. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred April 21.

Alderman James called Alger-
up from the Table the subjects of Obstructions in Sixth, Foundry Foundry St:
and Division Streets- and he offered the following Orders-
Ordered: That Cyrus Alger be notified to remove a building and all other obstructions belonging to him which may project over the line of Foundry or Iron Street, within seven days, and in default thereof that the Chief of Police remove the same. Read and adopted.

Ordered: That Josiah Dun- Dunham
ham and Josiah Dunham, Jr. be notified to remove all build- Sixth St:
ings and other obstructions belonging to them which now project over the line of Sixth Street between B. and C. Streets, within seven days, and in default thereof that the Chief of Police remove the same. Read & adopted; a motion to lay the same upon the Table until the next meeting having been lost.

Ordered: That the Old Colo- Old Colony
ny Rail Road Corporation be notified to remove, within Division St:
seven days, all obstructions by the said Corporation exc-

196 ted on Division Sheet, and that in default thereof that
April 4, 1853 the Chief of Police remove the same. Read and adopted.

White On the petition of John White
for leave to construct a Tomb in the East Boston Burial
Ground, the Committee on Cemeteries reported that the
prayer of the petitioner be granted. Read and accepted.

Expenditures Ordered: That the opinion of
the City Solicitor be taken upon the questions following, viz:
Are there any Committees or Boards acting under the City
Charter by election by and from the people, or by election
or appointment by or from the city council, who are charg-
ed with the expenditure of monies raised by taxation &
appropriated by the Council in specific sums for every
purpose that have authority to go beyond, and are not
controlled by such appropriations, if so, what Board or Com-
mittee, and to what extent can that excess be carried, and
what are the limitations, and what are the remedies?
Passed in Common Council, came up for concurrence. Read
and concurred.

Kean On the petition of Henry Kean &
others that a road leading from Orrell Street may be
named "Spring Place" the Committee on Streets reported, that
it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners, the
property in question being private. Read and accepted.

Registrar. The ballots having been ta-
ken and counted for a City Registrar it appeared that

Thomas Simonds was chosen in concurrence with the Common Council.

April 4. 1853.

The Reports of the Officers who have the charge of Truant Children and Absentees from School from the Northern, Centre, and Southern Districts were received, laid on the Table and ordered to be printed.

Truants.

On nomination by the Mayor, Amos Kelcup was appointed on the Watch;- Henry L. Gurney was appointed a Special Police Officer on the premises of the Grand Junction Wharf;- Benjamin Heath was appointed a Constable until the annual appointment in September next.

Watch. Police. Constable.

On the petition of Joseph Smith;- Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be, and he is hereby instructed to have Ninth Street, from F. to K Streets, opened and graded.

Smith- Ninth Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be instructed under the direction of the Committee on Paving to repair the house and premises of Mary Ann Barton on Old Harbor Street, damaged by lowering the grade of said Street.

Barton- Old Harbor Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be, and he is hereby instructed, forthwith to cause to be repaired, the sidewalks on Broadway, and on Fourth Street, Eleventh Turnpike and Lorimer Streets, and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Repairs and Repairs of Streets.

Broadway, Fourth Street.

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April 4. 1853. Bradlee. On the petition of James B. Bradlee for leave to construct coal Holes under the side walk in Broad Street, the Committee on Paving reported, that leave be granted subject to the usual requirements. Read and accepted.

Driscoll. Fifth Street. On the petition of M. O. Driscoll, Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the owners and abutters on Fifth Street, north side, between A. and B. Streets, to cause their Sidewalks to be paved with Brick or Flat Stones, according to law, within twenty days from the date hereof.

Second hand articles. Jasper F. Ferdinand was appointed a Dealer in Second Hand Articles.

Millard. Prescott. Agreeably to the reports of the Committee on Paving were rec. granted to Samuel Millard to plant trees on Hudson and Tyler Streets and to George W. Prescott to plant a tree in Albion Street.

Assessors. On motion of Alderman Hilling the subject of the election of Assessors was taken from the table and the ballots having been taken and counted, it appeared that George C. Head, Samuel Norwood, George Jackson and Henry Sargent were elected Principal Assessors of the City in concurrence with the Common Council.

Assessors per diem. The ballots having been taken for Per Diem Assessors it appeared that Benjamin Dodd, William H. Lane & Billings Briggs were elected in concurrence with the Common Council.

On the petition of Laura 193.
Deane and others, that the City fence across Broadway, April 4. 1853.
Second, and Third Streets may be removed, the Committee Deane.
on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Resolved, That the safety Richmond
and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Street.
Richmond Street should be widened and for that purpose Robinson
it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public Street or
way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to George H
Robinson, bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the
northwesterly corner of the said premises, at the point
where the northwesterly line of land of said Robinson meets
the present northeasterly line of Richmond Street; thence
running Northeastwardly, along said northwesterly
line, two feet and fifty eight hundredths of a foot; thence
Southeastwardly, along the proposed line of widening of
Richmond Street thirty five feet and fifty five hundredths of
a foot; thence Southwestwardly, along the northwesterly line
of land taken from said Robinson to widen Richmond
Street, by an order of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen, dated
March 7. 1853. two feet and fifty two hundredths of a foot.
and thence Northwestwardly, along said present line of
Richmond Street, thirty five feet and fifty five hundredths of
a foot, to the point of beginning; containing ninety four square
feet and twenty one hundredths of a square foot, more or
less. And Whereas due notice has been given by the Selectmen
of this Board to take the said piece of land for the purpose
aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is

194 Whereas Ordered, That the parcel of land before described
April 4. 1853. be and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City, according to a plan of the said widening made by E. I. Chesbrough dated March 4th 1853 and added to April 4th 1853, and deposited in the office of the said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Richmond street, as aforesaid, will amount to Six Hundred and eighty dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars.

Petition for Richmond street. Whereas this Board by a Resolve passed this day took a certain parcel of land, therein described, lying on Richmond Street and laid out the same as a public street or way of said City, it is therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to George W. Robinson and all other persons interested as owners, proprietors, tenants, occupants, or otherwise, in said land that they cut off, pull down, remove and carry away all buildings, erections and obstructions of every sort standing on and projecting over the line of said Richmond Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, or, move and set back the same to the said line, and vacate and surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid on or before the first day of June now next ensuing. And in default thereof, the Chief of the Police is hereby directed and empowered forthwith to enter upon said land and cause all buildings, erections and obstructions standing on and projecting over the line of said Richmond

street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down, removed and carried away, or to be moved and set back to said line, and the said land to be vacated and surrendered under the direction of the Committee on laying out and widening streets.

Washington Street - Preston.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Washington Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to J. P. Preston - bounded as follows, viz. Beginning at the Southeasterly corner of the said premises, at the point where the Northeasterly line of Davis Street, as established by an order of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen, dated December 20th 1852. meets the proposed line of widening of Washington Street thence running Northwesterwardly, along said line of Davis Street, one foot and forty five hundredths of a foot; thence Northeastwardly, along the proposed line of Washington Street, seventy feet and thirty three hundredths of a foot, to the Northeasterly line of land of said Preston; and thence Southwestwardly, along said proposed line of widening, seventy feet and twenty hundredths of a foot, to the point of beginning, containing fifty square feet and sixty four hundredths of a square foot, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, that the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way

196 of the said City according to a plan of the said widening
April 4. 1853. made by E. I. Chestbrough dated Dec^r 20^th 1852. and added
to April 1^st 1853 and deposited in the office of the said Mayor
and Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the
expense of widening the said Washington Street, as afore=
said, will amount to one hundred dollars; which sum to=
gether with the amount of estimates of previous alterations
or discontinuances in said Street, during the present munic=
ipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars.

Preston. Whereas this Board by a Resolve
Washington passed this day took a certain parcel of land, therein de=
Street scribed, lying on Washington Street, and laid out the same
as a public street or way of said City, it is therefore Ordered,
That due notice be given to J. P. Preston and all other persons
interested as owners, proprietors, tenants, occupants or other=
wise, in said land that they cut off, pull down, remove and
carry away all buildings, erections and obstructions of every
sort standing on and projecting over the line of said Wash=
ington Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, or, re=
move and set back the same to the said line, and vacate
and surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid
on or before the first day of May now next ensuing. And
in default thereof, the Chief of Police is hereby directed and
empowered forthwith to enter upon said land and cause all
buildings, erections and obstructions standing on and pro=
jecting over the line of said Washington Street, as estab=
lished by the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down,
removed and carried away, or to be moved and set back

to said line, and the said land to be vacated and sur- 197.
rendered under the direction of the Committee on laying April 4. 1853.
out and widening Streets.

Agreeably to the several Stone,
reports of the Committee on Licenses George W. Stone was Bearded
allowed to exhibit at Amory Hall the "Bearded Lady"— Lady.
the "Siamese Twins" were allowed to exhibit themselves and Siamese
children;- Mooney and Hector to give a Concert at the Mel- Twins.
odeon - and the Chinese Troupe to give their exhibitions at Chinese.
the Melodeon.

The Report of the City Phys- Physician
ician for the quarter ending March 31. 1853. was read and
sent down. In Common Council read and placed on file.

Petition of Sanderson and Sanderson
Finnegan that the contract for the display of Fireworks
on the ensuing Fourth of July may be given to them. Refered
to the Committee of Arrangements for said day, in concur-
rence.

Ordered: That there be Boston
paid to the Boston Lt Dragoons, the sum of One hundred Light
and fifty dollars for use of the Armory occupied by them from Dragoons.
January 1st to April 1st 1853. and that the same be charged to
incidental Expenses and Miscellaneous Claims. Sent
down for concurrence. Came up concurred. April 11th

Ordered: That the City Sent
Engineer report by plan or otherwise what buildings or to
other obstructions have been erected by the City so as to ob- Boston.

198. Read the Heads at South Boston. Passed in Common Coun-
April 4. 1853. cil. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Cavell, Warren & Princeton St. Sewers

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of the Common Sewer in Cavell Street, - or the proposed extension of the Warren & Princeton Street Sewers, said subjects were recommitted to the Committee on Sewers and Drains with full power.

Police.

The Report of the Chief of Police for the quarter ending March 31. 1853. was read and sent down. In Common Council placed on file.

Chandler Street.

Ordered: That the Committee on Lamps be instructed to place a gas light in the passage way leading from Chambers Street to Leverett Street / said passage way being near the head of Poplar Street.

Haverhill Street Boston & Maine Rail Road.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the President and Directors of the Boston and Maine Rail Road to cause their Sidewalks on the North side of their Freight Depot in Haverhill Street to be paved with Brick or Flat Stones, according to Law, within twenty days from the date hereof.

Watch

Report of the Captain of the Watch, for the quarter ending March 31. 1853. was read and placed on file.

Assistant Assessors

The ballots having been taken and counted, on the part of this Board, for Assistant Assessors

it appeared that the following persons were chosen in con- 199.
currence with the Common Council, viz: for April 4. 1853.

Ward No. 1. John B. Wells and Samuel Prince.
" " 2. Guy C. Haynes " G. P. Dudley.
" " 3. Solomon Carter " Daniel P. Simpson.
" " 4. George W. Messenger " Benjamin G. Boardman
" " 5 Nathaniel C. Poor " Benjamin Beal.
" " 6 John G. Davis " David Kimball.
" " 7 James W. Merriam " Calvin W. Clark.
" " 8 Clement Hale " J. H. Iaun
" " 9. Francis Bundy " Richard Miller.
" " 10. Fitz James Rice " Charles A. Wells.
" " 11. Benjamin Smith " Henry K. Hancock.
" " 12 Samuel Newmarch

And it also appeared that Joseph Smith was elected As- sistant Assessor for Ward No. 12. instead of E. H. Brainard chosen on the part of the Common Council. Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Public Squares, Samson-
to whom was referred the petition of Benjamin Samson and Belmont
others, that the city would accept and lay out as a Public Square
Square at East Boston, the land commonly called
"Belmont Square" - having considered that subject, recom-
mend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee,
Benjamin Seaver, Chairman. Ordered: That the land of
land at East Boston, commonly called and known as
"Belmont Square" be and the same is hereby laid out and
accepted as a Public Square of this City - provided the East
Boston Company will give a deed of said land to the City.

206. Read, accepted and the order passed. (Deed passed April 5. 1833)

April 4. 1833.

East Boston Gas Co.

Alderman Frost called up from the table the report of the committee on Friday granting the East Boston Iron & Gas Company leave to withdraw on their petition for leave to open the streets of East Boston to lay down gas pipes & conductors &c. and the question being taken on the acceptance of said Report it was decided in the negative whereupon it was Ordered: That the prayer of the East Boston Gas Company, for the consent of the Mayor and Aldermen to open the ground in any part of the streets, lanes and highways of East Boston for the purpose of sinking all necessary gas pipes, conductors and drips, and repairing the same be granted, provided, that in all matters relating to the affairs of said Company, the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston for the time being are to exercise at all times the same powers over said company as are enjoyed by the Mayor and Aldermen under the Charter of the Boston Gas Light Company.

Stone Chapel.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be instructed to notify the Proprietors of the Stone Chapel to have their sidewalk on School Street repaired.

Gray.

On the petition of Henry L. Gray Olson to be appointed Agents for the sale of Liquor under the existing Laws, the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be directed in all cases of grading, filling and Paving of Streets, to purchase all materials and let out the jobs and part of jobs to the lowest bidder for the same, such bidder being required to give suitable bonds for the faithful performance of the same: and all bids made for such materials and work shall be made public by said Superintendent of Streets. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and laid on the table. April 4. 1853 Streets.

Ordered: That so much of the order of this Board passed January 11. 1853. as requires the Committees on Internal Health and Paving to employ a competent person to keep records of the doings of said Committees, in a book to be kept for that purpose, be and the same is hereby rescinded, said records being now kept in another and as useful form. Internal health - Paving.

On the petition of Otis Rich, Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be instructed to have I Street, between Sixth and Ninth streets, opened & graded. Rich - I Street.

Whereas Bailey F. Mills has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Tremont Street, in the said City, and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Bailey F. Mills that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by Mills - Tremont Street.

taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Street - and that Monday the eleventh day of April instant, at four o'clock P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objection which may be made thereto.

Eliot Causeway Street

Whereas John F. Eliot has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Causeway Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said John F. Eliot that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Street - and that Monday, the eleventh day of April instant at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Mosely Purchase Street

Whereas Joshua B. Foote has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Purchase Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Joshua B. Foote and to Flavel Mosely that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Street - and that Monday, the eleventh

day of April instant, at four o'Block, PM is assigned as the time for Hearing any Objections which may be made thereto

Whereas William Marshall

has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Bedford Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said William Marshall and to Sarah Whitney that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Street and that Monday, the eleventh day of April instant at four o'Block PM, is assigned as the time for Hearing any Objections which may be made thereto.

Bedford Street.

Whereas Uriah Ritchie has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Charter Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Uriah Ritchie that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Street and that Monday the eleventh day of April instant at four o'Block, PM, is assigned as the

Ritchie Charter St:

201. time for hearing any objections which may be made
April 4. 1853. thereto.

Sundry House offal. The Committee on Internal Health to whom was referred the remonstrance of Josiah Lance and others against the renewal of the contract with Nahum Ward respecting house offal reported that as the said Contract was signed before the reception of this remonstrance, no further action in the premises can be had. Read & accepted.

Daily Ballast Lighters. The Committee on Ordinances, to which was referred the petition of Patrick Daly & others, for certain changes in the ordinance in relation to the weighing of lighters and other vessels, have heard the petitioners, considered the subject, and beg leave to submit the accompanying ordinance. At the hearing it appeared that the existing ordinance was capable of an interpretation which would make its operation unequal and oppressive to those engaged in carrying ballast. Changes have been introduced which, it is believed, will render it acceptable to all interested. We have also added a provision that no person who owns the whole or any part of a vessel engaged in loading in ballast, shall be an officer under this ordinance. For the Committee, Charles Demond. Accepted in Common Council and the Ordinance passed (being City Document No. 18) the same came up for concurrence. Read and concurred with the following amendment in the [illegible] line after "owner" insert "or agent" and in the fifth line after the word "vessel" insert "or who has any interest

therein. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. 205.
April 14th April 4. 1853.

The Report of the Joint
Special Committee appointed to consider and report on Lands.
so much of the Mayor's Inaugural Address as relates to
Public Lands and the Ordinance establishing a Board
of Public Land Commissioners were taken from the table
and the Board concurred in the passage of the latter
with the following amendment. at the conclusion
Sect. 6. Strike out "City Council" and insert "Mayor and
Aldermen" Sent down for concurrence. Came up concur-
red. April 14th The above Report is recorded at length on
page 167 of this volume: and the Ordinance in a book
kept for that purpose.

Ordered: That An Act to Library.
authorize the City of Boston to found and maintain a
Public Library passed since in the year of our Lord
One thousand eight hundred and fifty three; be and it
is hereby accepted by the City Council of Boston Sent down
for concurrence. Came up concurred April 14th

An order of the Common Reporters
Council directing the Messenger to place the Reporters tables
and chairs on the right and left of the President's Chair in
the Chamber of the Common Council. Came up referred to
the Committee on Public Buildings. Read and concurred.

Whereas Baker and Perry Baker's Sal.
Hall.
have given notice to this Board of their intention to erect Wennington St.

buildings on Washington Street, in the said City; and, in
April 4. 1853 the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience
of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be
widened at the place described in the said notice, it is
therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the
said Baker & Perry & to John A. Hall, trustee, that this Board intend to widen
the Street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land
now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out
the same as a public street and that Monday, the
eleventh day of April instant at four o'Clock, P.M. is
assigned as the time for hearing any objections which
may be made thereto.

Quincy- On motion of Alderman Rich
Exchange the Report of the committee on hearing that no further
Street. action is required on the remonstrance of Josiah Quin-
cy, Jr. and others against altering the width of the
Exchange Street as taken from
the table, and the question of its acceptance having
been considered, it was again laid upon the table, and

the Board then

Adjourned to Monday next at 4 o'Clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the eleventh day of April, A.D. 1853

Present.

His Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Communication from Piper. Solomon Piper and others, respecting the decayed condition of the trees in South Street. Referred to the Committee on the Common &c.

Petition of Levi L. Whitcomb, Whitcomb. and Richard Rich for leave to construct tombs in the East Rich. Boston Burial Ground. Referred to the Committee on Cemeteries.

Petition of John Howard Howard. and others that Mechanic Street may be widened. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Remonstrance of A.B. Wilbor Wilbor and others against the contemplated Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of the East Boston East Boston Gas Company to have leave to lay Pipes upon Eagle Gas Co. Bridge. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Petition of Alexander Wilson Wilson and others, employees of the City for an increase of their wages. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Petition of Gardner G. Tufts Tufts. for an Auctioneer's License. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

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Wilkins. Petition of John H. Wilkins and others that the Water Street Sewer may be enlarged. Referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains.

Bliss. Petition of H. G. H. Bliss, for leave to exhibit some Seals. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Denton-Ellis. Petition of William Denton and Ebenezer Ellis, for appointment as Agents for the sale of Liquor under the existing laws. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Ridlon-Coburn. Petition of Richard Ridlon & Daniel Coburn for leave to plant trees in Chambers and Sewall Streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Brewer-Moulton. Petition of Henry Brewer and Thomas Moulton for leave to construct coal holes under the sidewalks in Princeton and Mount Vernon Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

McKay-Pearson. Petition of Donald McKay and others that Meridian Street may be paved from Central Square to White Street, and the sidewalks laid; of John H. Pearson and others that the crossing stones in Commercial Street near State Street may be raised. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Howard. Petition of William H. Howard for permission to move a wooden building from Foundry Street to Fifth Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Thomas Baker and Perry 2cy.

have given notice to this Board of their intention to erect Sept 11. 1853.
buildings on Washington Street, in the said City; and, in Baker
the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of & Perry-
the inhabitants require that the said Street should be wid- Red.
ened at the place described in the said notice, it is there- Washington
fore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to Charles H. Street.
Read, the owner of the Land, that this Board intend to
widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the
land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and lay-
ing out the same as a public street - and that Monday,
the nineteenth day of Sept instant at four o'clock P. M.
be assigned as the time for hearing any objections which
may be made thereto.

Petition of G. W. Haseltine Haseltine.
Specting damage done to his estate by the change of Howe.
grade in Tremont Street; - and of George Howe for compen-
sation for damage done to his estate from the change of
grade in Congress and Water Streets. Referred to the Com-
mittee on Paving.

Petition of Thomas A. Dun- Dunham
ham, lessee of buildings on Sixth Street, South Boston, Sixth Street.
praying for an extension of time prior to the removal
of said buildings; read and thereupon Ordered: That
the petitioner be notified that he can be heard before
the Board on Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

Daniel D. Welch was licensed Second hand
as a dealer in Second hand articles. articles

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Awnings

Whereas it has been made to appear to this Board, that in many places in the City, canvas or wooden curtains, and pendants to awnings are allowed to remain suspended during the night time, over the sidewalks of the Stores and Shops to which they are affixed, and thereby greatly obscure and obstruct the light from the Street Lamps, to the danger and inconvenience of the public, Therefore Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the owners or occupants of all Stores or Shops in the City of Boston, from which canvas or wooden curtains or pendants to awnings are used, that said owners or occupants roll up or take in such curtains or pendants, at or before the time of sunset each day, under the penalty prescribed in the 20th Section of the City Ordinance respecting Streets. Ordered, That the Superintendent of Lamps be, and he is hereby instructed to report to this Board, the names of the occupants of each and every Shop or Store, where such canvas or wooden curtains or pendants are maintained and extended in the night time, in violation of the foregoing order.

Obstructions in Streets.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be and he is hereby instructed to see that the Ordinances in reference to Streets are properly observed_particularly Sections 20. 21. & 40. regulating the height of Awnings & Shades. Projecting Signs. Fenders &c. Placing Bulk Goods &c. on Sidewalks.

Bills & Pictures

The Committee on Ordinances were directed to take into consideration the subject of Bill Posting &c. reported an Ordinance upon that sub-

fed, which was read, laid on the Table and ordered to be printed. 211.

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The Committee on Ordinances who were instructed to report to the City Council an Ordinance establishing the office of a Superintendent of the Internal Health Department, and defining its duties have attended to that subject, and report the accompanying Ordinance. For the Committee Sampson Reed, Chairman. Laid on the table and ordered to be printed. Internal health.

Notice was received from the Auditor on Montgomery Place, claiming the fee of said Place and adverse to the title acquiring any easement therein from the public possession thereof. Read and placed on file. Montgomery Place.

The license of E. Kenfield as keeper of an Intelligence Office No. 16 School Street was renewed for one year. Intelligence office

On the petition of Samuel Leeds. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be directed to have Broadway, from K. to Dorchester Streets, paved. Leeds. Broadway.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be directed to have sidewalks laid in Meridian Street, from Maverick Square to White Stat, and to charge the same to the abuttors who have not complied with the order of this Board, passed November 29. 1852. Meridian Street.

Voted: That the Auditor be instructed to draw an Indictment against this city.

Ordered: That the sum of

April 11 1853. Sumner - Eulaw Street. Thirty eight dollars and forty two cents, be, and the same is hereby deducted from the assessment laid upon a portion of lot numbered 221. on a plan of East Boston lands, owned by William H. Sumner, for his proportional part of the cost of constructing the common sewer in Eulaw Street.

Ward 12. Shade Tree Society.

On the petition of the Ward 12. Shade Tree Society - Ordered: That the Superintendent of the Common and Public Squares, under the direction of the Committee on the same, be directed to have trees planted in front of the Bigelow School House, and such other public buildings as the Committee may think it expedient.

Order

Ordered: That the Committee on Paving, whenever they may deem the interests of the City demand it, may have authority to make contracts for paving, grading or repairing streets, and laying or repairing sidewalks.

Petition of Sanders

On the petition of Wilson and Dunklee for leave to locate a Steam Engine on Harrison Avenue, between Canton and Dedham Streets, the Committee on Steam Engines and Furnaces reported, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and thereupon ordered, that said subject be recommitted with instructions to the Committee to report in favor of granting the prayer of said petitioners - Which being done the Committee reported accordingly. Read and accepted.

Daley and others against the appointment of Elijah K. Hackney as an Inspector of Lighters. Read and sent down. In Common Council, placed on file. April 11. 1853. Daley.

Petition of John B. Fitzpatrick and others that the restrictions on Lots No 1 to 10 of the Jail Lands on Stevenett Street may be removed. Read and referred to the Committee on Public Lands. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concured, April 14th. Fitzpatrick. Jail Lands.

To the City Council, The Croton Water Board to whom was referred the petition of Samuel A. Way, to the Council, for compensation for damages sustained by him by an obstruction, placed in the Street, and extending about ten feet in front of his estate on Harrison Avenue, for the purposes of the Water Works, have attended to the subject and direct me to offer the following report.— The claim of Mr. Way is one made to the Water Board, more than a year ago, and which was duly considered but not considered one which the Board ought to allow. The facts in the case as far as they relate to any action of the past or present Water Board are believed to be as follows. In the latter part of the year 1851 it became necessary to carry the 12 inch pipe over the Rail Road crossing on Harrison Avenue and, in order to protect it, to move about 2 feet further South a stone post then standing in the Street in front of Mr. Way's estate. The post had been placed there some years previously, Way.

and it is believed before Mr. Way purchased his estate, by
April 11. 1853. the Worcester Rail Road to protect their bridge, and if it
is now, as is stated, about ten feet over Mr. Way's line it
was of course about eight feet over the same line before the
Water Board caused it to be moved. In view of these
facts, the Water Board, after consulting the City Solicitor,
were of opinion that the incumbrance on the Street being
a legal use of the property of the public, for public and
necessary purposes, did not give to Mr. Way any legal
claim for indirect and consequential damage done
to an adjoining estate. If it did justify such a claim,
that the Water Board were only accountable for the small
portion done under its authority, and that they are not
authorized to adjudicate on the other portion, which
had been done by other parties and for purposes having
no connection with or relation to the duties of the Board,
and for which other parties besides the City were liable.
In compliance however with the direction of the City
Council, the Board have again attended to the subject,
but have been unable to come to a different decision,
and they would therefor beg leave to return the case
to the City Council for such action as the Council may
deem proper. Respectfully submitted, for the Cochituate Wa-
ter Board, Thomas Belmont Proctor. Read & accepted,
and thereupon Ordered: That the petitioner have leave
to withdraw; Sent down for concurrence. Came up con-
curred April 14th

Fire Alarms. The Joint Standing Committee
on the Telegraphic Fire Alarms, to whom was referred the com-

munication of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Depart- 215
ment complaining of some irregularities in the mode of April 11. 1853
communicating alarms of fire having examined into said
subject respectfully Report: That an investigation into the
matter has shown, that the wires and the battery were af-
fected somewhat at first, by cold weather, which caused a
contraction of the one, and diminished the effect of the
other. The proper remedies have been applied to meet those
exigencies. The thunder storm of April 7th affected the wires
of the southern circuit, the lightning struck the steeple of the
Church on Shawmut Avenue, descended the rod, and a por-
tion of the discharge passed off upon the southwest circuit,
melting the wires & two of the magnets; which occasioned
the irregular alarm which occurred soon after the storm.
This occurence will not probably again take place, as
improved lightning arresters will be attached to the system,
which will prevent the wires from being operated upon by
the atmosphere. The apparatus intended to be used in
connection with the Cochituate Water, for the Old South
Church, and the Church in Shawmut Avenue, is nearly
completed, and will be put up within ten days. The Com-
millee have taken pains to render the system as reliable
as possible, and they feel disposed to do all they can to
secure to it a fair and perfect trial. Which is respectfully
submitted. For the Committee, J. Hooper, Chairman. Read
and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Came up con-
curred April 14th

The Committee on Public Kimball
Buildings to whom was referred the petition of David

310 Kimball and others for a Ward Room in Ward Six, report
April 11 1853 that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Com-
mittee Benjamin Ames Chairman. Read and accepted.
Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred April 14th

Lunatic Hospital. The Joint Special Committee on so much of the Mayor's Address as refers to a New Lunatic Hospital, who were instructed by an order of the City Council, to report if the action of the Legislature of 1852 in relation to Alien Paupers will relieve the present Lunatic Hospital from some of its present inmates; and who were also directed to report the number of such Paupers now in the existing Institution, have attended to those duties, and ask leave to report:- That the Boston Lunatic Hospital contains at the present day, Two hundred and fifty one patient, four fifths of whom are alien paupers. The institution with its comparatively recent enlargement, was calculated to accommodate comfortably Two hundred patients, so that there are now crowded into the institution fifty more patients than the building can properly accommodate. The female wing in particular is very much crowded, and since November 1851 all female commitments to the Institution have ceased, except as the occasional death or discharge of a female made room for a new comer. Your committee are informed from the highest authority in this matter, that the Act of the Legislature of 1852 in relation to Alien Paupers, was never intended to embrace in its provisions the Lunatic Paupers, who have always been subject to different rules from the sane paupers.

the only mode of relief to the Boston Lunatic Hospital which 217.
it was thought would be available, was the erection of the April 11. 1853.
New-State Institution at Taunton; but the inquiries of your
Committee touching its capacity have resulted in the
full conviction, that that institution will be immediate-
ly filled, as soon as it is ready for occupancy. In addition
to the numbers of insane poor who are chargeable to the
City of Boston at the State Institution at Worcester, there are
also many alien paupers in the Houses of Industry and
Correction, who ought to be accommodated in the Boston Hospi-
tal. In conclusion therefore it seems to your Committee, that
a mode of relief adequate to the increasing population and
wants of Boston, in this particular, can be found, short of the
erection of a new Hospital for the Insane Poor, either in
addition to, or in place of the present building, which sub-
ject is now receiving the attention of your Committee, under
another order of the City Council. In which is respectfully
submitted. Benjamin Seaver, Chairman. Read accepted.
Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred April 14th

Report of the Superintendent Streets.
of Streets for the quarter ending March 25. 1853. In Common
Council placed on file.

The Report of the Committee Faneuil
on Public Buildings bring City Document No 16. and recited Hall
at length on page 135. of this Volume, concerning the im-
provement of the Interior of Faneuil Hall, was taken from
the table, and the order appended thereto, adopting Bryant's
plan of alterations, was passed. Sent down for concurrence.

April 11 1853. Armories. ings, to whom was referred the several petitions for rent of Armories &c, have attended to the subject, and recommend the passage of the following order. For the Committee. Benjamin James, Chairman. Ordered: That there be paid to each of the Companies of Dragoons a sum not exceeding $500 per. annum, and to each of the Companies of Artillery, Rifles and Infantry a sum not exceeding $300 per annum in quarterly payments, the same to be appropriated by said Companies in payment of rent for Armories, the Companies to be allowed to select their own rooms for that purpose, under the direction and approval of the Committee on Public Buildings. The City Council to have the authority to discontinue said payments at any time, by giving three months notice to any Company from which they may wish to withdraw said appropriation. The City not to be liable in any case for liabilities of any Company. The Commander of each Company to give an acknowledgement in behalf of his Company, on receipt of each warrant, in full to date for and a place of deposit for the arms of his Company. Rooms belonging to the City occupied by Companies to be charged at fair rents, such as may be fixed upon by the Committee on Public Buildings. Ordered: That the foregoing Order take effect from and after the 1st of October next. Read, laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Franklin Fund. The Committee of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen appointed to examine the Accounts of the Treasurer of the Franklin Fund, having attended to that trust, report, that they have examined the

Accounts, and find them correctly kept and vouched, and that 219.
the estimated value of the Fund is $54.280.55, as appears April 11. 1853.
by the account annexed. Respectfully submitted, For the
Committee, Benj. F. White, Chairman. In submitting the
annual report the Committee deem it not out of place in
giving the following somewhat detailed account of the
Fund, kindly furnished by Hon. William Minot, the Treasurer.
Dr. Franklin in his Will, gave to the Inhabitants of the
Town of Boston one thousand pounds sterling, to be man-
aged under the direction of the Selectmen united with
the ministers of the oldest Episcopalian and Presbyterian
Churches in that Town, who are to let out the same upon
interest at five per cent. per annum, to such young mar-
ried artificers, under the age of twenty five years, as have
served an apprenticeship in said Town, and faithfully
fulfilled the duties required in their Indentures, so as to
obtain a good moral character from at least two respect-
able citizens who are willing to become their sureties in
a Bond for the repayment of the money. He directs that the
sum loaned to one applicant shall not exceed sixty pounds
sterling, nor be less than fifteen pounds, and be repaid in
annual instalments of ten per cent., with annual interest
at five per cent.; that the money returned to the fund
should be reloaned; and, not anticipating any losses, he
calculates that the one thousand pounds would increase
in the course of one hundred years to one hundred thirty
one thousand pounds, of which he would have the mana-
gers lay out £100.000 in public works, which may be judg-
ed to be of the most general utility to the Inhabitants of

220 Boston and the remaining £31,000 he would have conden-
April 11. 1853 ded to be let out on interest, in the manner above describ-
ed, for another term of one hundred years, at the end of
which time he calculates the fund will be four millions sixty
one thousand pounds sterling, of which he gives one million
sixty one thousand to the disposition of the Inhabitants of the
Town of Boston, and three millions to the Government of the
State. The Legacy was paid to the Selectmen of Boston in
the year 1791, and the first loan of £60 sterling was made
to Daniel Sutlle, Bricklayer, on the 3d of May, 1791. This was
the usual sum loaned until 1795, when the amount was
reduced to $200, and has so continued ever since. The
whole number of loans has been about two hundred and
twenty, which more than two thirds have been paid in
some of them paid in while During the first twenty years
after the money was received by the Town the whole amount
was not at all times loaned, and a part of it lay unem-
ployed without interest. There have been numerous losses
by the failure of the principals and sureties, on the Bonds,
so that the Doctor's calculations of the increase of the fund
have signally failed, and it is feared that his benevolent
intention of benefitting young married mechanics has
rarely been realized. During the last fifteen or twenty
years the applications for loans have been comparatively
few, owing probably to the difficulty of obtaining sureties,
and to the well known fact that they are frequently
called to make up the delinquencies of their principals.
It is about sixty two years since the first loan was
made. In the first third part of that term there were

15y loans. during the second, 90, and during the third part
city 21 loans. The number of bonds supposed to be good, now
belonging to the fund, is only six, on which is due about
$800. The total amount of the Fund is $54,280.55, of which
$53,463 is deposited, on interest, in the office of the Massa=
chusetts Hospital Life Insurance Company and in the
Savings' Banks of this city. — It appears by the foregoing
Statement of the Treasurer that the whole available funds
at the present time is fifty four thousand two hundred
eighty dollars and fifty five cents, as follows:

Due from W. W. Hubbard,	20
Hiram J. Fogg,	140
J. F. Drummond,	140
Joseph Gould,	140
Agrus W. Holt,	160
Thomas Merrill,	50
Deposited in the Massachusetts Hospital Life Insurance Company,	52,392.42
" " Provident Institution for Savings in the Town of Boston,	370.76
In the Hands of the Treasurer,	7.37
Total,	$54.280.55

It is estimated by the Committee that in 1891, which will be 100 years from the time the bequest was made, or 38 years from the present time, the fund will accumulate to about $400,000, say four hundred thousand dollars, predicating the rate of interest the same as it has av eraged the past twenty years. It seems that it was Dr Franklin's opinion that the £1000 Sterling would produce

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at the expiration of one hundred years, one hundred and thirty one thousand pounds sterling currency, equal to 581, 000 dollars valuing the pound sterling at par, making a difference between the Doctors calculation and that of the committee as to the probable result at the termination of one hundred years, 181,640 dollars. It is very true, as has been remarked by the Treasurer, "That the Doctor's calculation of the increase of the fund have signally failed, and the fund that his benevolent intention of benefiting young married mechanics has rarely been realized." The Committee would recommend that the amount of funds deposited in the Massachusetts Hospital Life Insurance Company remain there as a permanent investment. For the Committee. Benj. F. White, Chairman. Read, accepted and ordered to be printed.

Union Street. No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Union Street near Pierce Place said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Cambridge Street. No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Cambridge Street by taking land from the "Fleet Estate" said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Purchase Street. No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Purchase Street said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets, with full power.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Washington Street, between the Rail Road Bridge and Orange Street, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power. | April 11. 1833. Washington Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Bedford Street by taking land of William Marshall and Sarah Whitney, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power | Bedford Street. Marshall Whitney.

Agreeably to notice Bailey Mills appeared and objected to the proposed widening of Tremont Street by taking a portion of his estate, and after a hearing upon the matter the subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power. | Mills Tremont Street

The Committee on the Fire Department, who were directed to investigate some improprieties at the fire in India Street, have attended to that duty, and respectfully Report: That on the occasion referred to, some members of the Fire Department were detected with articles of property, of small value, in their possession, which were taken from the Buildings on fire. But, the articles having been immediately recovered, and the owners of the property being unwilling that the guilty parties should be proceeded against they having been discharged from the department the Committee report that no further action is required on said order. But your Committee having learned | India St. fire

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from the Engineers of the Department, that for many years past, members have been in the habit of appropriating articles of small value to their own use, without thinking, (as your Committee are satisfied) that there was any special harm in so doing, or that they were incurring the risk of a heavy penalty if detected; the passage of the accompanying order is recommended For the Committee, Isaac Carey, Chairman. Ordered; That the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department be directed to place in each of the Engine, Hydrant and Hook and Ladder Houses of this City printed copies of so much of the Statutes relating to Fire, as refers to the embezzlement of property at Fires. Read, accepted and the order passed.

Bell on Tail Street School house

Ordered: That the Committee on Bells and Clocks consider the expediency of placing a Bell, of not less than 700 lbs weight, on the School house in Wall Street, to be used in connection with the Telegraphic system of Fire Alarms

Market.

Ordered: That the 18th Section of the Ordinance in relation to Faneuil Hall Market be published in all the Newspapers employed to do the city Advertising.

Chester Street.

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands respectfully represent; That by an Ordinance of the City Council of said City, passed the Seventh day of November, A.D. 1850. the said Committee on Public Lands were authorized to lay out such Streets, Squares, & Passage ways, on the Public Lands, and make such al-

locations in the lots as the best interests of the City may require, subject to the approval of the Mayor and Aldermen. And in the enquiry considering the subject, the Committee are decidedly of the opinion, that the laying out of such Street, Squares, Malls, and Passage ways, as can be done at little or no expense, except the land required; will be advantageous to the City and should be favorably considered. A doubt cannot exist at the present time, that the late improvements in the southern portions of the City, have caused a large increase in the value of the land, and have attracted public attention to the same, as a pleasant, healthy and desirable location for dwellings. Being desirous of continuing the improvements referred to, in accordance with the foregoing Ordinance, they have unanimously passed the following Order and respectfully submit the same for your approval.- In Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands, April 6th 1853. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Public Lands, be and hereby is authorized and directed, to cause Chester Street to be laid out and graded, from the Southeasterly side of Harrison Avenue to the brook that was formerly the boundary line between Boston and Roxbury, over a parcel of land belonging to said City, and bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at a point on said Southeasterly side of Harrison Avenue, where the extension of the Southwesterly line of said Chester Street, as heretofore established, will intersect the said line of Harrison Avenue; thence running Southeastwardly on said line of extension, four hundred and ninety feet, more or less, to said brook; thence Northeasterwardly by the line of said brook to a point at a right

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angle with, and ninety two feet distant from the first described line extended; thence northwestwardly, parallel with, and ninety two feet distant from, said first described line, four hundred and ninety five feet more or less to said Harrison Avenue. thence southwestwardly by said Harrison Avenue, ninety two feet to the point of beginning containing forty six thousand square feet more or less. Also to cause a Mall to be laid out and completed through the same, within three years from date. Said Street & Mall to be in accordance with a plan made by E. S. Chestrough, City Engineer, dated April 1853 and herewith submitted. For the Committee, Isaac Cary, Chairman. Read, and thereupon it was ordered, that said laying out be approved by the Board.

Stebbins.

The Committee on Paving reported leave to Isaac Stebbins to build Coal holes under the sidewalk in Charter Street,- and to the Fifty Associates to construct coal holes under the sidewalk in aforesaid. Read and accepted.

Fifty Associates.

Quincy-Exchange street.

On motion of Alderman Whiting the report on the remonstrance of Josiah Quincy, Jr. and others against the widening of the sidewalk in Exchange Street, which recommends that no further action be had thereon, was taken from the table- and having been considered said report was not accepted.- Whereupon it was Ordered: That the order of this Board, which was passed on the seventh day of February last, to have the sidewalk on the easterly side of Exchange Street laid throughout that side of the Street in conformity with

that part now being laid in front of George Howe's new building, be and it is hereby rescinded._ The Yeas & Nays being required on the foregoing order, were taken as follows_ Yeas. Aldermen Reed, Whiting, Cary, White and Frost_ 5. Nays_ The Mayor, Aldermen Sleeper, James and Rich_ 4._ Alderman Whiting then offered the following order_ Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be and he is hereby directed to cut off so much of the granite side-walk in front of George Howe's estate in Exchange Street, as will make it conform to the former line of the edge stone: the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for Paving. Read and laid on the table.

Omnibus Routes.

The Committee on Licenses reported to the Board a list of Routes for the different Omnibus Lines within this City, which were accordingly designated as such, and were ordered to be published according to law: They are as follows, viz:_ South Boston Line. No. 1. From South Boston, through Sea, Kneeland, Lincoln, Sumner, Washington and Court Streets, to their Stand in Cornhill Street; and return through Washington street, by the same route._ No. 2. From South Boston, over the Free Bridge, through Harrison Avenue, Essex, Washington and Court Streets, to their Stand in Cornhill Street; and return through Washington Street by the same route._ No. 3. From South Boston, over the Free Bridge, through Harrison Avenue, Essex, Washington, Union and Haverhill Streets, to the Fitchburg Rail road Depot; and return by the same route._ Canton Street and Dock Square Line. No. 4. From Canton Street; through Washington Street to Dock Square, and return by the same

228. route.— Chelsea Street and Custom House Line. No. 5. From Chester
April 11. 1853. Street, through Rutland street, Shawmut Avenue, Dover, Washington and State Streets to the Custom House, and return by the same route.— Dover Street and Charlestown Line. No. 6. From the Northwest corner of Dover and Washington Sts through Washington, Court, Green, Leverett and Causeway Streets, ove the Warren Bridge to Charlestown and return by the same route. Dover Street and Lowell Rail Road Lines.— No. 7. From the Northwest corner of Dover & Washington Streets, through Washington, Court, Green, Leverett, Minot and Lowell Streets to the Lowell Rail Road Depot, and return by the same route.— No. 8. From the Northwest corner of Dover and Washington Streets, through Washington, Court, Green, Chambers, Allen, Spring, Poplar, and Brighton Streets to the Lowell Rail Road Depot, and return by the same route.— Dover Street and Chelsea Ferry Line. No. 9. From the Northwest corner of Dover and Washington Streets through Washington, Court, and Hanover Streets to Chelsea Ferry, & return by the same route.— Dover Street and Fitchburg Rail Road Line.— No. 10. From the Northwest corner of Dover and Washington Street, through Washington, Court, Hanover, Union, Haverhill Streets to the Fitchburg Rail Road Depot, and return by the same route.— Dover Street and East Boston Ferry Line. No. 11. From the Northwest corner of Dover and Washington Streets, through Washington, Court, Hanover, Fleet and Commercial Streets to East Boston Ferry, and return by the same route. Eastern Rail Road Omnibus.— No. 12. From the corner of Park and Tremont Streets, through Tremont, Court, State and Commercial Streets, to the Eastern

Rail Road Depot; and return by the same route. Roxbury and Boston Line. No 13. From Roxbury through Washington Court, Cornhill to 31. Washington Street, return through Washington to Roxbury. No 14. From Roxbury, through Washington, Court, Hanover and Union streets, to the Main Railroad Depot; and return by the same route. No 15. From Roxbury, through Washington Street, Dock Square, and Union Street, to the Maine Railroad Depot; and return by the same route. Dover Street and Charlestown Lines No 16. From the corner of Tremont and Dover Streets through Dover, Washington, Court, Green, Leverett and Causeway Streets over Warren Bridge to Charlestown; and return by the same route. No 17. From Charlestown, over the Old Bridge, through Prince, Salem, Hanover, Court, Washington and Dover Streets to Tremont Street; and return by the same route. Bunker Hill Line. No 18. From Tremont Street, through Dover Washington, Court, Hanover, Brackston and Haverhill streets, over Warren Bridge to Charlestown; and return by the same route. Custom House and West End Line. No 19. From the Custom House, through State, Court, Green, Chambers, Cambridge, Charles and Pleasant streets, to Washington street; and return by the same route. Charlestown & Boston Lines. No 20. From Charlestown over Warren Bridge through Haverhill, Union, Hanover Elm Streets, Brattle Square Brattle, Court, Washington, Eliot, Pleasant Streets to the Square in front of the Arsenal; return through Boylston Washington and the same route. No 21. From Charlestown over the Old Bridge through Prince, Salem, Hanover Court, Washington and Dover Streets to the corner of Har-

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230 vision Avenue; and return by the same route. Cambridge
April 11 1853 and Boston Line No 22. From Cambridge, over Cambridge
[illegible] Bridge Warren Cambridge, Ward and Battle Streets,
to the Quincy House; and return by the same route.
East Cambridge and Boston Lines. No 23. From East
Cambridge, over Craigie's Bridge, through Leverett, Green, &
[illegible] Streets to the City Hotel in Battle Street and return
by the same route. No 24. From East Cambridge, through
Lancaster over Warren Bridge through Somerset, Union,
Hanover, Elm streets and Battle Square to the City Hotel,
and return by the same route. Brighton and Boston Line.
No 25. From Brighton, over the Mill Dam, through Beacon,
Charles, Boylston and Tremont streets, to Montgomery Place,
and return by the same route. Dorchester and Boston
Line No 26. From Dorchester, through Sea, East, South,
Summer and Washington streets, to their Stand in
Franklin Street, and return through Arch, Summer,
South, East and Sea streets, to Dorchester. No 27. The route
for the Grove Hall Line, through Washington, Dover, Harri-
son Avenue, Rowe, Bedford and Washington to Franklin
Street; and return by the same route. Neponset & Boston
Line. No 28. From Neponset, through Sea, East, South, Summer,
Washington, Bromfield and Tremont streets, to Montgomery
Place, and return by the same route. Milton & Boston
Line. No 29. From Milton, through Harrison Avenue, Rowe,
Bedford, Washington, Bromfield and Tremont streets, to
Montgomery Place, and return by the same route. Ja-
maica Plains and Boston Line. No 30. From Jamaica Plains,
over Tremont Road to Montgomery Place, and return by the same

route. Malden and Boston Line. No 31. From Malden, over Warren Bridge, through Haverhill, Union, Hanover & Elm Streets and Braille Square, to a stand to be hereafter provided, and return by the same route. Roxbury & Boston, Tremont Road Line. No 32. From Roxbury, through Washington, Camden, Shawmut Avenue, Dover, Washington and Court Streets, to No 16 Tremont street, and return by the same route. Somerville and Boston Line. No 33. From Somerville, over the Warren Bridge, through Haverhill, Union, Hanover and Court Streets, to Tremont Street, near Court Street, and return by the same route. Chelsea and Boston Line. No 34. Over Warren Bridge, through Haverhill, Union Hanover and Elm Streets and Braille Square to Braille Street; and return by the same route. Brookline & Boston Line. No 35. Over the Mill Dam, through Beacon, Charles, Boylston and Tremont Streets to Montgomery Place and return by the same route. Lowell Rail Road and State Street Line. No 36. From the Depot, through Lowell, Minot, Leverett and Court Streets, to the Merchants Exchange, and return by the same route, without stopping in State Street. Worcester Rail Road and State Street Omnibus. No 37. From the Depot, through Lincoln, Summer, and Washington streets, to the Merchants Exchange, and return by the same route, without stopping in State Street. Winthrop and Boston Line. No 38. Over East Boston Ferry, through Commercial, Fleet, Hanover, Court to stand at the corner of Tremont near Court Street; and return by the same route.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the Eighteenth day of April A. D. 1853.

Present.

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Frost.

Am Taylor Burnham. Petition of Amos Am for appointment as an Auctioneer;- of William G. Taylor, for leave to give an Exhibition of the art of Self Defence;- of Burnham, for leave to exhibit a South American Snake in Hay Market Square. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Grozier Petition of William Grozier for leave to exhibit a Telescope on the Common. Referred to the Committee on the Common &c.

Mass: Medical Society- Faneuil Hall Petition of the Massachusetts Medical Society, for the use of Faneuil Hall on May 25th wherein to hold their Annual Dinner. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board with full power.

Butler- Hunnewell- Harrison- Perkins. Petition of B. F. Butler & others that sidewalks may be laid in Princeton Street, between Marion and Meridian Streets;- of John L. Hunnewell that the sidewalks in Havre Street, between Meridian and Border Streets, may be laid with bricks &c.- of Thomas Harrison & others, that a stone wall may be built to support the southerly side of Hingham Street; and of S. S. Perkins for leave to move a wooden building from Genesee Street to Dover Place. were severally referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Rufus A. Bent, 233.
for a lease of Stall No. 21. Faneuil Hall Market. Referred April 18. 1853.
to the Committee on the Market, with full power. Bent.

Petition of Thomas Blanch- Blanchard
ard and 2nd others that the Sewer in Shawmut Avenue, Werner.
between Dover and Groton Streets may be lowered; - of Anthony
Werner and others that a Sewer may be laid in Broad
way and I. streets. Referred to the Committee on Sewers
and Drains.

Petition of J. H. Jenks and Jenks.
others, that the lines of Province Street may be determin-
ed. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of Timothy Page Page
and others, that the City would accept and lay out cer-
tain 20 feet streets. Referred to the Committees on Streets and
Paving.

Communication from Ed- Sealer of
ward Loring resigning his office of Sealer of Weights and Weights &
Measures. Read and laid on the Table.

The Joint Special Commit- Watch
tee to whom was referred so much of the Mayor's Inau- & Police
gural Address as relates to the Watch and Police, report-
ed an Ordinance on that subject, which was laid on
the table and ordered to be printed.

The Committee on Streets Wilbur
to whom was referred the remonstrance of A. B. Wilbur.

254. and others concerning the re-numbering of Court Street, re-
April 18. 1853. ported that the remonstrants have leave to withdraw: Read and accepted.

Ellis & Denton. On the petitions of Ebenezer Ellis and William Denton for appointment as Agents for the sale of Liquor under the existing laws, the Committee on Licenses reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw: Read and accepted.

Police. On nomination by the Mayor, Alvin Lincoln was appointed a Special Police Officer at the Old Colony Rail Road Station.

Auctioneer. Gardner G. Hyde was appointed an Auctioneer of the City.

Moulton. On the petition of Thomas Moulton for leave to construct Coal holds under the side-walk in Mount Vernon Street, the Committee on Paving reported that the prayer of the petitioner be granted under the usual requirements. Read and accepted.

Bliss. Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses, M. C. M. Bliss was allowed to exhibit some Seals in Spring Lane

Small. On the petition of Samuel Small to be compensated for the damage sustained by him in consequence of the reduction of grade in Saratoga Street, the Committee on Paving reported, that as the petitioner made no objection to the measure, when it was proposed, that he have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

On the petition of Harvey Brewer for leave to construct coal holes under the sidewalk in Princeton Street the Committee on Paving reported that Brewer leave be granted under the usual requirements. Read and accepted. April 18. 1853.

Agreeably to the reports of the Committee on Paving, leave was granted to Daniel Coburn to plant trees on Leverett Street;—and to Richard Ridlon to plant trees in Chambers Street; the work to be done under the direction of the Superintendent of Streets. Coburn. Ridlon.

On the petition of John H. Pearson, Pearson, and others that the crossing stones in Commercial Street, near State Street, may be raised, the Committee on Paving reported that orders have been given to the Superintendent of Streets to comply with the prayer of the petition, no further action thereon is required. Read and accepted. Commercial Street.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Paving William H. Howard was allowed to move a wooden building from Foundry Street to Fifth Street. Howard

On the petition of Samuel W. Ropes and others, that Hudson Street be paved, the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read & accepted. Ropes

On the petition of James A. Stevens and others that Wall Street may be lighted &c. the Committees on Paving and Lamps reported the fol- Stevens Wall Street

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owing order_viz: Ordered: That the Superintendent of Sheds be instructed to have crossing Stones of granite blocks laid on Causeway Street, from Merrimac to Wall Street.— Ordered: That the Superintendent of Lamps be instructed to have Wall Street lighted with Gas or Oil. Read accepted and the orders passed.

Nash. Cattender & Co Fort Hill.

On the communication from Nash, Cattender & Co respecting the grade of Fort hill and praying that the same may be reduced, the Committee on Paving reported that said measure is inexpedient at the present time. Read and accepted.

Phillips Library

The following communication was received from Jonathan Phillips, covering a donation of Ten Thousand dollars to the Public Library of Boston.— Boston April 14th 1853. To the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, Gentlemen, Allow me through you respectfully, to offer for the acceptance of the City of Boston in trust for the Public Library— Ten thousand dollars— to be forever held and treated as a trust fund— the income of which, shall be used exclusively, for the purchase of books for said Library— and if from any cause whatsoever, there shall at any time happen, a diminution of the Capital then the income is to accumulate and be added to the Capital, until its original amount shall be entirely restored. The past and present character of the City of Boston is a sufficient pledge that a trust confided to its care, will be faithfully and correctly performed, and I cannot discover in the future a possibility that its in-

legrity may be impaired or its fair reputation be forfeited. 237.
In truth, every Son of Boston justly regards the City as an April 18. 1853.
illustrious parent and should exhibit, as well as feel
in his dealings with it, a filial regard and confidence
which its honourable character in all periods, for sound
morals, and a profound respect for the sanctities of reli-
gion naturally produces. Regarding as I do its efforts to
induce the highest cultivation of intellect and cherish a
strict and wise regard for the union of Law & Liberty to
be among the principal features of its greatness, and have
conferred upon our City a name and a praise through-
out Christendom, it gives me unfeigned pleasure in a
humble manner to aid in the accomplishment of these
ends. Very respectfully, Your obedient fellow-Citizen Wm.
Wm. Phillips. Read and referred to the Committee on
the Public Library, with authority to invest said amount
as was done in preceding cases. Sent down for concurrence
Came up concurred April 21.

Alderman Reed thereupon offer- Resolves.
ed to the Board the following Resolutions;-viz: Resolved:
That the munificent gift of Ten thousand dollars for the
use of the Public Library, proffered by the Hon. Wendell
Phillips, be accepted, upon the trust affixed by him, and
that the grateful thanks of the City Council be and they
hereby are presented to him for the same. Resolved: That
the letter of Mr. Phillips which accompanied the above
donation, so expressive of confidence and patriotic sentiment
honorable alike to him and his native city, be placed at
large on the records of the City Council. Resolved: That

258. the Mayor be requested to transmit to Mr. Phillips an at-
April 18. 1853. tested copy of these proceedings. Passed unanimously. Sent
down for concurrence. came up concurred. April 21.

Abel. On the petitions of Benjamin
Thacher court. Abel, that Thacher court be paved, and of Anthony Kaine
Kaine. that Quincy Street, between D. and E. Streets, be graded.
Quincy Street. the Committee on Paving reported that the petitioners
have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Howe. On the petition of Samuel G.
G. Street. Howe respecting the dangerous condition of G. street, the
Committee on Paving reported the following Order.—Ordered:
That the Superintendent of Streets be instructed to place
a fence on G. Street, between Fourth Street and the foot of
the Reservoir. Read, accepted and the order passed.

Emery. On the petition of T. W. & Emery
Harvard that obstructions may be removed from Harvard Street, the
Street. Committee on Paving reported a reference of the same to
the Committee on Streets. Read, accepted and referred ac-
cordingly.

Drury. On the petition of Otis Drury,
that Howe Street be graded, the Committee on Paving re-
ported that no action is required at the present time. Read
and accepted.

McKay. On the petition of Donald McKay,
Monmouth St. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be instructed to
lay out and grade Monmouth Street to its present termination east.

On the petition of the Heirs of 239.
Lucinda Dorr,- Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets April 18. 1853.
be, and he is hereby directed to make and grade Davis Stud: Dorr-
in conformity with a plan of C. F. Wheelwright's, dated April 18th Davis Stud.
1853. and deposited in the office of the Mayor & Aldermen.

On nomination by the Mayor, Watchman.
James Buckley was appointed on the Watch.

Petition of W. F. A. Kelly and Kelly
and others for leave to form a Military Company. Referred to
Aldermen Rich and Whiting.

Ordered: That the Salary of Mc. Allaster
the late James Mc. Allaster, as Superintendent of Public Build-
ings, be continued and paid to his widow to the close of the
present quarter. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concur-
red, April 21.

Ordered: That the Chair- Public
man of the joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings Buildings
be and he is hereby authorized to perform any of the duties
of the Superintendent of Public Buildings until the
incumbent is elected to said office and duly qualified.
Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred - April 21.

The Board being satisfied Newton
that certain tenements on Newton Place, being numbers Place.
2. 4. 6. 8. 10. 12. 14. 16 on said Place are not provided with
suitable drain pipes Ordered, That the notice be given
en to Thomas Brewer, Samuel A. Allen, & al. Succeeding.

Pet. to Grad the Common Sewer to be ... Branch Harbor

April 18 1853 and James Mann, owners thereof, that said owners are hereby required to cause a proper and sufficient drain to be constructed for such tenements to be common and subject to the use of all the Inhabitants thereof, within five days from the date hereof.

Ordered; That the Superintendent of Streets be directed to pave the sidewalks in Harrison Avenue, between Pine and East Castle Streets, belonging to the Heirs of Gardner Brewer and the heirs of George Parkman and charge the expense thereof to the said owners.

Whereas, according to a plan of that part of Joy Street lying Southerly from, and adjacent to, Mount Vernon Street, made by C. J. Chesbrough, dated April 18th 1853, and deposited in the office of the said Mayor and Aldermen, the buildings heretofore standing on the westerly side of Joy Street have formed an angle in the westerly line of the street, at a point designated by the letter C. on said plan, and distant forty feet and fifty hundredths of a foot Southwardly from the Southwesterly corner of Joy and Mount Vernon Streets, (shown at A. on said plan) and forty nine hundredths of a foot eastwardly from a straight line joining said corner and the point (shown at B. on said plan) where the boundary line between land of William Gray and land of Henry B. Rogers meets said westerly line (measuring at right angles with said straight line:) and whereas the convenience

a the Inhabitants of the city require that said Street
line should be anew defined and established: It is there- April 10. 1833.
fore Ordered: That the said westerly line of Ivy Street be
hereby established & that the same shall be
at a point designated by the letter D. on said plan, and
distant fifty four feet southwardly from the said corner:
and forty nine hundredths of a foot eastwardly from the said
straight line, measuring at right angles thereto.

Resolved, That the safety Purchas
and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require Street.
that Purchase Street should be widened and for that pur- Mosely
pose it is necessary to take and lay out a portion of
certain of the land of Mosely, and belonging to the
estate of Simon Fowle deceased as follows, viz:
Beginning at the southwesterly corner of the said prem-
ises, at the point where the southwesterly line of land of
said Mosley meets the present northwesterly line of Purchase
Street; thence running Northeasterwardly along said line
of Purchase Street seventy five feet & seventy six hun-
dredths of a foot, to an angle: thence Northeasterwardly
along said line of Purchase Street six feet and
forty hundredths of a foot to the northeasterly line of
land of said Fowle: thence Southwestwardly along the
proposed line of widening of said Purchase Street six-
ty one and eight tenth hundredths of a foot to a point in
the dividing line between land of said Mosley and
land of said Fowle, distant two feet northwesterwardly
from the angle before mentioned: thence Southwesterwardly

242 along said line of widening twenty two feet and twelve
April 13. 1853 hundredths of a foot to the point of beginning: containing twenty seven square feet and seventy five hundredths of a square foot, more or less; of which twenty one square feet and twenty five hundredths of a square foot, more or less are taken from said Moseley and fifty six square feet and fifty hundredths of a square foot, more or less, are taken from said Towle. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public Street or way of the said City, according to a plan of the said widening made by E. S. Chesbrough, dated April 13. 1853. and deposited in the Office of the said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Purchase Street, as aforesaid, will amount to Two hundred & thirty dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said Street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars.

Moseley- Towle- Purchase Street.

Whereas this Board by a Resolve passed this day took a certain parcel of land, therein described, lying on Purchase Street and laid out the same as a public Street or way of said City, it is therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to Hazel Moseley and Joshua B. Towle and all other persons interested

of owners, proprietors, tenants, occupants, or otherwise, in said land that they cut off, pull down, remove and carry away all buildings, erections and obstructions of every sort standing on and projecting over the line of said Purchase Road, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, or, cause and set back the same to the said line, and vacate and surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid on or before the First day of June now next ensuing. And in default thereof, the Chief of the Police is hereby directed and empowered forthwith to enter upon said land and cause all buildings, erections and obstructions standing on and projecting over the line of said Purchase Road, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down, removed and carried away or to be moved and set back to said line, and the said land to be vacated and surrendered under the direction of the Committee on laying out and widening Streets.

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No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Washington Street by taking land of Charles A. Reed, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets, with full power.

Washington Street. Reed

Notice was received as follows:- To the Mayor, Aldermen and Common Council of the city of Quincy. Gentlemen The undersigned having purchased a portion of the old Wind mill and expecting in the course of the week to make sale of that portion of it in conformity with the terms of his Bond to the city,

Quincy City Wind Mill

214. gives notice of his said sale and of his expectation
April 18. 1853. of making other sales, and requests that a Committee
may be appointed or authority to some person given,
to examine the several deeds, which may be prepaid
by the said Solicitor, and see that they conform to the
terms of sale of said estate to said Subscriber, and sat-
isfactory in form & security to said City, and that the
amount so ascertained and secured may be indorsed
on his Bond in pursuance of the conditions thereof and
of the terms of said sale. The notice is properly signed
by Josiah Quincy. Boston 18 April 1853. Referred to Aldermen
Rich and White, with such as the Common Council may
join. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and
Messrs Kebrels, Roby and Desmond were joined. April 21st

South Mead. The Superintendent of Sewers
reported to the Board the cost of constructing the common
sewer in South Mead. Referred to the Committee on Sewers
and Drains.

Constable's bond The bond of Benjamin Hall
as a Constable of the City was approved by the Board.

Alger. Memorial of Cyrus Alger &
others in favor of the appointment of E. H. Brainard as
Assistant Assessor, came up from the Common Council.
Read and placed on file.

Assessors [illegible] Common Council
non-concurred with this Board in the election of an As-
sistant Assessor for Ward No 12. and the ballots having

ion again collected and counted, it appeared that Joseph P. Smith was unanimously elected on the part of this Board, April 18. 1853.
Which non-concurring with the common council in
their election of C. H. Brainard. Sent down for concurrence.
Came up concurred, April 21.

The Report of the Port Phys- Physician
ician for the quarter ending the 31st. March. came up from the
common Council. Read and placed on file.

The Committee on Laying Washington
out and widening Streets to whom was recommitted the Street
order to widening Washington Street, near Orange Lane,
reported that no further action thereon is necessary. Read and
accepted.

Ordered: That the City Lowell
Solicitor be and he is hereby directed to appear before any Rail Road
Committee of the General Court having under their consid-
eration the petition of the Boston and Lowell Rail Road
Corporation asking permission to extend their road or a
branch of the same across certain Streets in the City, and
to oppose the prayer of the petitioners in every form that
he may deem necessary and proper, any grant that
is the City, and to see that the rights of the City are
protected in this respect in any bill that may be report-
ed by such Committee. Passed in Common Council.
Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred

The Joint Committee on Selec-
tive Public Library, to whom was referred the letter of Wm. Livera.

2 o. Bates, Esq. dated London, 10th. March 1853. beg leave respect-
April 18. 1853 fully to report: That agreeably to the authority contained
in said Act, the Mayor has drawn on Mr. Bates for
his donation to the Library, amounting to fifty thous-
-and dollars, which sum has, with the approval of
the committee on Finance, been loaned to the City, sub-
ject to the conditions offered by Mr. Bates, at an interest
of 6 per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually. For the
Committee, Benjamin Seaver. Accepted in common Coun-
cil. came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Library. Ordered: That the Commit-
Loring Estate. tee on the Public Library in conjunction with the Board
of Trustees, be and they are hereby authorized to dispose
of the Loring Estate lately purchased by the city for a site
for the Public Library. Passed in common Council. came
up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

House of Correction. The Committee on the Institu-
tions at South Boston and Deer Island, who were re-
quested, under an order of 17th February last, to confer
with the Overseers of the House of Correction, and report
what measures are necessary to relieve that institution
from the inconvenience and danger arising from the
inadequate accommodations for the whole number of
commitments to the institution, have carefully considered
the subject, and respectfully report: That while the Com-
mittee are satisfied that additional accommodations are
greatly needed, in order that the Spirit as well as the letter

y the law may be complied with, by providing a cell for every prisoner, yet in view of all the circumstances, they recommend that further action in the premises be postponed to another year. This delay will increase somewhat, the expense of the institution by the necessity of employing some additional attendants. The Committee feel it to be their duty to say, that the Overseers have relieved themselves from responsibility in case any unpleasant occurrence should take place, in consequence of such delay, by the faithful and persistent manner in which they have made known the wants of the institution to the City Council. For the Committee, Benjamin Snare, Chairman. Accepted in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Agreeably to notice Thomas H. Dunham appeared and stated to the Board, the grievances to which he would be subjected, in case the buildings now hired by him on Sixth Street were immediately removed, pursuant to the order of the 4th instant; Whereupon on motion of Alderman Speer it was Ordered that the execution of the order of the Board which authorized the removal of buildings belonging to Josiah Dunham and Josiah Dunham, Jr. from the lines of Sixth Street, be stayed until the expiration of ninety days from this date.

Thomas H. Dunham

Sixth Street.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock. P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the Twenty fifth day of April A.D. 1853.

Present

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Petition of Joshua Mitchell and others for a change of grade in Indiana Place, of Samuel Swan that the Road in front of the Mayhew School House may be macadamized, of Joseph Ballard and others, that Province Street may be repaired, of F. A. Benson and others, that the sidewalk on the corner of Kneeland and Sea Streets may be repaired, were severally referred to the Committee on Paving.

Indiana Place
Swan
Ballard
Benson

Petition of Kilby Page and others that Ann Street be widened near Lexington Place. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

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Ann Street

Petition of James Towle and others, that Green and Harvard Streets be widened at their junction, and a remonstrance of James M. Ford & others against said measure, were referred to the Committee on Streets.

Towle
Ford
Green and Harvard Sts.

Petition of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department that certain Police Officers be appointed and paid for attending Fires. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Fire Police

Petition of Edwin F. Hobart

Hobart

Remonstrance of Samuel 219.

Remonstrance of Samuel Apprd and filed against the appointment of Jesse Jan. 2, 1855.
Hall as Superintendent of Copps Hill Burying Ground. Approved
Referred to the Committee on Cemeteries.

Petition of Susan J. Hen- Henry.
ry for leave to keep an Intelligence Office at No. 3. Temple St.
of Thomas Brown for leave to exhibit the art of self defence, Brown.
and of H. F. Bonnet for leave to exhibit certain natural Bonnet.
curiosities in Haymarket Square. Referred to the Commit-
tee on Licenses.

Petition of the Ancient & Ancient
Honorable Artillery Company for the use of Faneuil Hall Faneuil
Hall on [illegible] Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings Hall.
to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this
Board with full power.

Notice from A. G. B. Lester Lester
respecting excavations for a cellar adjoining the School
House in Bumstead Court. Referred to the Committee on
Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence. Came up con-
curred April 26.

The Annual Report of the Industry
Trustees of the House of Industry and Superintendent was
received and read and ordered upon the files
ordered to be printed.

The Board proceeded by ballot Water
to the choice of seven members of the Cochituate Water Board Board.
for the ensuing year and the result having been ascer-
tained it appeared that Thomas Welmore, John A. Wilkins
Jonathan Preston, Amos D. Lapish Adam W. Thaxter Jr.

Messrs Hampton Read and Thomas Sprague were elected in
April 23, 1863 concurrence with the Common Council.

Samuel
Willard. Application from Samuel G.
Nellage, Samuel Willard, and Theophilus Stever, respect-
fully for appointment as Superintendent of Public Build-
ings and recommendations from P. Nickerson and others in
favor of Theophilus Stever, & John Ball and others in favor
of Samuel G. Nellage were read and laid down.

Public
Buildings. Agreeably to assignment
the Board proceeded by ballot to the choice of a Super-
Superintendent intendent of Public Buildings and the ballots having
chosen. been taken and counted, it appeared that Samuel G.
Nellage was unanimously elected on the part of this
Board. Sent down for concurrence. came up concurred April 28.

Agreeably to assignment the
Board took up the subject of the appointment of an In-
spector and Weigher of Beds and Lights, and appli-
cations from Edward Loring, Henry Wells, and Jacob
Walden for appointment were read; also recommenda-
tions from Henry J. Pierce and others and Edward Kelly &
others in favor of J. R. Tucksbury, were read and severe-
ally sent down, and the ballots having been taken and
counted, it did appear that Henry Wells
was elected on the part of this Board. Sent down for
concurrence.

Whereas, pursuant to an Order of this Board passed on the tenth day of December, a common Sewer has been constructed in South Street, the cost of which was Seventeen and thirty six dollars and sixty eight cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains One hundred & seventy seven dollars 52/100 to be charged & proportioned by the same, according to law: It is therefore, Ordered, that the persons named in the Schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees. Jas. Harris. South End Sewer.

On the petition of Benajah Brigham's heirs, That the Sewer in Hawkins Street may be covered, the Committee on Sewers and Drains reported that the prayer of the petitioners be granted, and that the Superintendent of Common Sewers be directed to make the necessary alterations. Read and accepted. Brigham. Hawkins St.

On the petition of Anthony Werner and others:- Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next, at four o'clock P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a Common Sewer in Broadway, N.E. and First Street and of assessing the expense thereof on such persons who may enter their particular Drains into such Werner. Broadway, N.E. St.

common sewer, or who by any more remote means shall
April 25. 1853 receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections
thereto will then and there be heard.

Walsh
Police. The Report of the Joint Special
Committee on Walsh and Police (being City Document
No 28) was taken from the Table, and after a short discus-
sion was relaid thereon.

Rothe
Washington St. Ordered: That there be paid
to Charles Rothe, tenant of Sarah Whitney, the sum of
One hundred and seventy six $^{50}/_{100}$ dollars for damages
sustained by him in consequence of the widening of Wash-
ington Street, near Bedford Street, said sum to be in full
for all claims whatsoever for damages, costs and expenses
in consequence of said widening in accordance with
the award of referees on said subject dated April 23. 1853.
and deposited with the records of the Mayor and Alder-
men and to be charged to the appropriation for laying
out and widening Streets.

Turner
Ordered: That there be paid
to John McTurner, tenant of Sarah Whitney, the sum
of Six hundred and eighty one dollars for damages sus-
tained by him in consequence of the widening of Wash-
ington Street, near Bedford Street, said sum to be in full
for all claims whatsoever for damages, costs and expenses
in consequence of said widening, in accordance with the
award of referees on said subject dated April 23. 1853.
and to be charged to the appropriation for laying out and
widening Streets.

Ordered: That there be paid | 253.
to Jonathan Preston and to Otis Rich, referees between the | April 25. 1853.
City of Boston and Charles Rothe and John A. Turner, | Preston.
on the subject of the widening of Washington Street, the | Washington St:
sum of [illegible] dollars in the case of said petitioners
said amount to be charged to the appropriation for laying
out and widening Streets.

Ordered: That the Mayor | Watch
be instructed to petition the Legislature for such power as | & Police
the City Solicitor may deem proper for a change in the Po-
lice and Watch Departments of the City of Boston, or for a
union of both Departments under one head.

Whereas, it appears to this | Fourth
Board, that a certain drain situated on Fourth Street, | Street.
between B. & C. Streets and belonging to Marcus Byrne, Law-
rence McEvily agent; is obstructed, and is in a state of
nuisance, and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants
thereof Ordered, That a notice in writing, be given to
the said parties that they cause the said nuisance, ex-
isting on said premises and extending [illegible] the street
now to be removed within five days from the date hereof,
or causing said obstructions to be removed therefrom.

Ordered: That there be paid | Jenney
to Oliver Jenney the sum of Twelve hundred and seventy- | Atkinson
nine Dollars for land taken in widening Atkinson Street
upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same and
an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs

and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that
Jan 25 1853 the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out
and widening Said

Church Street Ordered: That there be paid
Samuels to Isaac Samuels and David F. McGilvray the sum of Three
McGilvray hundred Dollars for damages occasioned by the change of
grade in Church Street upon their giving to the City an
acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and ex-
penses in consequence of said change; and that the
same be charged to the appropriation for Paving.

Winslow Ordered: That there be paid
Church Street to Samuel W. Winslow the sum of Three hundred dollars
for damages occasioned by the change of grade in Church
Street, upon his giving to the City an acquittance and
discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in conse-
quence of said change; and that the same be charged
to the appropriation for Paving.

Harrington Ordered: That there be
paid to Ephraim Harrington the sum of Sixteen hun-
dred dollars for damages occasioned by the change of
grade in Church Street, upon his giving to the City an
acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and
expenses in consequence of said change; and that the
same be charged to the appropriation for Paving.

Peer Ordered: That there be paid
to Henry Peer the sum of Six Hundred dollars for damages
occasioned by the change of grade in Church Street upon

his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages and expense in consequence of said change; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving.

The petition of Athenaeum Lexington and others to be granted, as and taken from them to extend Church Street, was recommitted to the Committee on Streets.

An order levying a tax for 1853-54, came up from the Common Council for concurrence and was laid upon the table, to await the passage of the Appropriation Bill.

An order to pay George I. Winslow One Thousand dollars for damage occasioned to him from raising the grade of Fayette and Church Streets was read and laid on the table.

On nomination by the Mayor Samuel B. Livermore was appointed an Inspector and Weigher of Bundle Hay for the City.

The Special Committee [illegible] to whom was referred the petition of N. F. A. Kelly and others, for leave to form a Military Company, [illegible] the following order. Per the Committee, N. F. Rich, Chairman. Ordered: That the organization of the military company composed of Wm. F. Kelly, Jno. Cummings, N. F. Cutter and others, and known as the Shield Artillery, be and the same is hereby approved. Read, accepted and the order passed.

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Lexington Church St.

Tax

Winslow

Hay.

Hay.

Kelly.

Artillery

06 Ordered: That the City Clerk

April 25, 1853 send to the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Public Library, for the information and government of said

Board. Board, official copies of all papers and documents needful to explain all proceedings of the City Council in relation to said Library.

Remonstrance of George K.

Johnston School Hampton and others, against a change in the regulation of the South Johnston School, came up from the Common Council. Read and ordered to be sent to the School Committee.

East Boston Gas Co. On the petition of the East Boston Gas Company for leave to erect Gas Works upon Eagle Wharf, East Boston, the Committee on Internal health reported the following order.— Ordered: That the locality at East Boston commonly called and known as Eagle Wharf which has been selected by the East Boston Gas Company, as the place whereon to establish and maintain their Gasometer and Gasworks be and it is hereby approved by this Board for the purpose aforesaid. Read, accepted and the order passed.

Medicines Festus Ray was appointed an Medicine Vendor.

Burnham On the petition of Hiram Burnham for leave to exhibit a Snake, in Haymarket Square, the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Taylor William G. Taylor was granted leave to give an exhibition of the Art of Self Defence.

Ordinance were taken from the Table. The Committee on Ordinances, who were ordered to take into consideration the subject of Wells and report an ordinance, have considered the subject and report the accompanying ordinance. For the Committee, Thompson Reed, Chairman. Read and accepted, and the Ordinance (being City Document No. 24.) was passed. Sent down for concurrence. April 25. 1853. Records.

Petition of Nigel S. Turner and others for better accommodations may be furnished to the Reporters in the Council Chamber. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings in concurrence. Turner & Reporters.

The joint special Committee to which were referred the Legislative Orders of Notice on the petitions for the Incorporation of the Metropolitan and the Cambridge Rail Roads, have attended to the duty assigned them and respectfully report; That a Bill was presented to the Committee by the petitioners for the first mentioned Road which was examined by the City Solicitor, and, in his opinion and that of the Committee, the interests of the City appear to have been sufficiently guarded therein; neither the said Bill has undergone any change in its course through the Legislature the Committee are not informed. The Committee understand that the bill for the Cambridge Road contains provisions similar to those in the bill for the Metropolitan Road respecting the control of the City Metropolitan & Cambridge Rail Road.

58. Government over it. Your Committee therefore ask to be
April 25 1853 discharged from any further consideration of the subject.
Per the Committee, Benjamin Seaver Chairman. Read and
accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Library- The Joint Standing Com-
City mittee on the Public Library, to whom was referred the
letter of the Hon. Jonathan Phillips, tendering to the City
of Boston the sum of Ten thousand dollars for the use
of the Public Library- have attended to that trust- and
respectfully report that, in accordance with the direction
of the City Council, said amount of Ten thousand dol-
lars has been loaned to the City Treasurer at six per
cent per annum- the interest payable semi-annually
to the Committee, Benjamin Seaver, Chairman. Read
and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. April 26th

Library- The Committee on the Public
leasing Estate Library to whom was referred an order of the City
Council authorizing them, in conference with the Board
of Trustees of the Library, to dispose of the Leasing Estate,
[illegible] attended to the duty assigned them and respect-
fully report, that they have sold the said Estate to the
First Baptist Society, at its cost to the City together with
interest and Incidental Expenses. Per the Committee,
Benjamin Seaver, Chairman. Read and accepted.
Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. April 26th

Ordered: That the Com= April 25. 1853.
mittee on Public Lands shall give to this Board within
ten weeks from this date a full account of all the City
Lands. land, if any have been made, or of any release of con-
dition of Sales, also of all contracts bonds and agree=
ments for land from the commencement of the present year
to this time. Passed in Common Council. Came up for
concurrence. Read & concurred.

The report of the Committee on Ordinances and the Ordinance concerning the Internal Health
Superintendent of the Internal Health Department (bring
ing Document No 23.) were taken from the table, and after
a few alterations the Ordinance was passed. Sent down
for concurrence. Came up concurred. April 26th Ordered
Ordinance being recorded in a book kept for that purpose.

The Committee on Ordi= Streets
nances who were instructed to report to the City Council,
an Ordinance establishing the office of a Superintend=
ent of the Internal Health Department having reported
an Ordinance containing a section whereby that Officer
is required to give bonds for the faithful performance of
his duties, have thought that they should not be going
beyond the spirit of their instructions in proposing that
a similar bond should be required of the Superin=
tendent of Streets. They would therefore propose the adop=
tion of the accompanying Ordinance. For the Committee,
Sampson Reed, Chairman. Read, accepted and the
ordinance passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

On the petition of Albert

April 25. 1853 Bowker Ordered: That Lexington Street, East Boston, as

Bowker at present laid out, from Meridian to Eagle Streets, be ac-

Lexington St. cepted as a public Street or highway of this City, provid-

ed the East Boston Company will give to the City a deed

of the land embraced within its limits - and the Super-

intendent of Streets is hereby directed to grade the same,

under the direction of the Committee on Paving, when

the condition aforesaid has been complied with.

Ordered: That the Superin-

Webster Street tendent of Streets be and he is hereby directed to lay the sidewalks in Webster Street, between Lewis and Cottage Streets, and charge the expense thereof to such abutters as have not complied with the order of the Board dated March 21. 1853.

Turnpike Street. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be instructed to have Turnpike Street to Dorchester line, paved, and that the expense of the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving.

Turnpike Street. Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the owners and abutters on Turnpike Street, to cause their Sidewalks to be paved with Brick or Flat Stones, according to law, within twenty days from the date hereof.

Perkins Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Paving, leave was granted to Samuel S. Perkins to move a wooden building from Genesee Street to Dover Place.

On the petition of Donald McKay— Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be instructed to have the sidewalks on Meridian Street, from Central Square to White Street laid with Brick, and that the expense of the same be charged to the abutters. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be instructed to have Meridian Street, from Central Square to White Street paved and that the expense of the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving. April 25. 1853. McKay. Meridian Street.

On the petition of F. A. Benson— Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the owners and abutters on Kneeland Street, corner of Sea Street to cause their sidewalks to be paved with Brick or Flat Stones, according to law, within ten days from the date hereof. Benson. Kneeland Street.

On the petition of John L. Hancock— Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the owners and abutters on Tremont Street, between Meridian and Porter Streets, to cause their sidewalks to be paved with Brick or Flat Stones according to law, within twenty days from the date hereof. Hancock. Tremont St.

On the petition of James I. Whitney to be compensated the damage sustained by him from raising the grade of Tremont Street, of G. W. Hazeltine to be paid for damage done to him in consequence of the change of grade in Tremont Street, and of Thomas Harrison and others, that a New Wall may Whitney. Hazeltine Harrison

262. to build to support the southerly side of Hingham Road;
April 25. 1853 the Committee on Laying out Road leave to withdraw:
Read and accepted.

Washington Street. Vote

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Washington Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public Road or way of the said City a parcel of land belonging to Josiah Vose bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the southeasterly corner of the said premises, at the point where the boundary line between land of said Vose and land now or late of Nathaniel Gray meets the present northerly line of Washington Street, thence running Westwardly, along said boundary line, two feet and seventeen hundredths of a foot; thence Northwardly, along the proposed line of widening of said Street, thirty two feet and ninety six hundredths of a foot; thence Eastwardly, by land heretofore taken of said Vose to widen said Street one foot and seven hundredths of a foot; and thence Southwardly, along the said present westerly line, thirty two feet and ninety six hundredths of a foot to the point of beginning; containing fifty four square feet and five hundredths of a square foot, more or less. And Whereas due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed. It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is taken and laid out as a public Street or way of

the said City - according to a plan of the said widen-
ing made by E. S. Chestrough dated March 7th 1853. and April 25 1853
added to April 25th 1853, and deposited in the office of
the said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board doth
adjudge the expense of widening the said Washington
Road as aforesaid, will amount to Twenty five hundred
and fifty one $\frac{02}{100}$ dollars: which sum together with the
amount of damages of previous alteration or discon-
tinuance in said Road, during the present municipal
year, does not exceed the Sum of five thousand
dollars.

Whereas this Board by a Fire-
Resolve passed this day took a certain parcel of land, Emerson-
herein described lying on Washington Road and said Washington
and the same is a public Road & way in said City, Road.
E. Boston Island but no notice has been given to Fire
and William P. Emerson, and all other persons in-
terested as owners, proprietors, tenants, occupants or other-
wise, in said land that they cut off, pull down, remove
and carry away all buildings, erections and obstruc-
tions of every sort standing on and projecting over the
line of said Washington Road, as established by the
Resolve aforesaid, or, more and set back the same
to the said line, and vacate and surrender the land
and premises taken as aforesaid on or before the first
day of July now next ensuing. And in default thereof
the Chief of the Police is hereby directed and empower-
ed forthwith to enter upon said land and cause all
buildings erections and obstructions standing on and

264 projecting over the line of said Washington Street, as
April 5. 1855 established by the Revere aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled
down, removed and carried away, or to be moved and
set back to said line, and the said land to be vacat-
ed and surrendered under the direction of the Commit-
tee on laying out and widening Streets.

Charles Street Widened

Ordered that be notify
convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that
Charles Street should be widened and for that purpose
it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public Street
or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to
Ulrich Ritchie bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at
the Northwesterly corner of the said premises, at the
point where the proposed line of widening of Charles Street
meets the Southeasterly line of Revere Place, (so called;)
thence running Northeasterwardly, along the said South-
easterly line, eighty hundredths of a foot; thence South-
easterwardly, along the present line of Charles Street,
thirty six feet and four hundredths of a foot, thence South
westerwardly, in the direction of the Southeasterly line of
land of said Ritchie, one foot and fifty hundredths of
a foot; and thence Northwesterwardly, along said proposed
line of widening, thirty six feet and four hundredths of
a foot, to the point of beginning; containing forty one
square feet and forty five hundredths of a square foot,
more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of
the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of
land for the purpose aforesaid as appears by the return

Account annexed. It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City, according to a plan of the said widening made by E. I. Wheelwright dated April 25th 1853 and deposited in the Office of the said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Chester Street, as aforesaid, will amount to One hundred dollars: which Sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said Street during the present Municipal year does not exceed the Sum of five thousand dollars.

Ritchie. Chester street.

Whereas this Board by a Resolve passed this day took a certain parcel of land, therein described, being in Chester Square and laid out the same as a public Street or way of said City it is therefore Ordered That due notice be given to Brian Ritchie and all other persons interested as owners, proprietors, tenants, occupants, or otherwise, in said land that they cut off, pull down, remove and carry away all buildings, erections and obstructions of every sort standing on and projecting over the line of said Chester Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, or, move and set back the same to the said line, and vacate and surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid on or before the first day of July now next ensuing. And in default thereof, the Chief of Police is hereby directed and empowered

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forthwith to enter upon said land and cause all buildings, erections and obstructions standing on and projecting over the line of said Charter Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down, removed and carried away, or to be moved and set back to said line, and the said land to be vacated and surrendered under the direction of the Committee on laying out and widening Streets.

Bedford Street - Whitney

Resolved, That the safety & convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Bedford Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Sarah S. Whitney - bounded & described, viz: Beginning at the Northwesterly corner of the said premises, at the point where the dividing line between land of said Sarah S. Whitney and land of Joseph T. Brown meets the present Southwesterly line of Bedford Street; thence running Southeastwardly, along said line of Bedford Street, sixteen feet and sixty four hundredths of a foot; thence Southwestwardly, by other land of said Sarah S. Whitney, fifty six hundredths of a foot; thence Northwestwardly, along the proposed line of widening of said Street, sixteen feet and sixty five hundredths of a foot, to the point of beginning; containing four square feet, and sixty six hundredths of a square foot, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose

aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, April 25. 1853.
It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before de-
scribed be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out
as a public Road or way of the said City according
to the plan & the said widening made by & laid through
Sec. 1 December 15th 1852. and added to April 15th 1853.
and deposited in the Office of the said Board and it
is further ordered that this said Board adjudge that the ex-
pence of widening the said Bedford Road, as aforesaid,
will amount to fifty dollars: which sum together with
the amount of estimates of previous alterations or dis-
continuances in said Road, during the present munici-
pal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars.

Whereas this Board by a Whitney-
Resolve passed this day took a certain parcel of land Marshall-
therein described, lying on Bedford Road and laid Bedford
out the same as a public Road or way of said City, Road.
It is therefore ordered, That due notice be given to Sa-
muel Whitney and William Marshall, and all other
persons interested or owners pretended owners or
tenants, or otherwise, in said land that they cut off, pull
down, remove and carry away all buildings, erec-
tions and obstructions of every sort standing on and pro-
jecting over the line of said Bedford Road, as estab-
lished by the Resolve aforesaid, or, move and set
back the same to the said line, and vacate and
surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid
on or before the first day of June now next ensuing.

208. And in default thereof, the Chief of Police is hereby di-
April 25 1855 rected and empowered forthwith to enter upon said land
and cause all buildings, erections and obstructions
standing on and projecting over the line of said
Bedford Street, as established by the Certificate afore-
said, to be cut off, pulled down, removed and carried
away or to be moved and set back to said line, and
the said land to be vacated and surrendered under
the direction of the Committee on laying out and widen-
ing Streets.

Public Square Boylston St: Ordered: That the City Engi-
neer, under the direction of the Committee on laying out
and widening Streets prepare a plan for enclosing a small
portion of the Public Square formed by the junction of
Charles, Pleasant and Boylston Streets.

City Engineers Ordered: That the Committee
on Lamps be instructed in all cases where any new
Gas Lamps are to be placed, to use the Bracket instead
of Posts_ and to remove the Post at the corner of Hen
and Chambers Streets and place instead a Bracket.

Exchange Street. Alderman Whiting called
up from the Table, the order respecting the Sidewalk on
the easterly side of Exchange Street, and the same hav-
ing been amended So as to read as follows_ Ordered:
That the Superintendent of Streets be and he hereby
is directed to cut off one half of so much of the granite
sidewalk in front of George Howes estate in Exchange

that it projects beyond the present line of the edgestone
of said street - the expense thereof to be charged to the
appropriation for Paving; was passed. A motion to lay
the same upon the table having been lost, and the
Yeas and Nays having been required upon the passage
of said order, were taken as follows: Yeas, Aldermen Kap-
len and said, Rich and Upton & Jones, Aldermen Bow-
ing and Pratt - 2.

On motion of Alderman Rich - Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be instructed to move the sidewalk on the easterly side of Exchange Street as laid, of such a width as to make the edgestone conform in a continuous line with the outside limit of George Howe's sidewalk as established by the Board this day.

Alderman White offered the following order - Ordered: That the Committee on the Common be and they are hereby ordered to engage one or more Bands of Music to perform on the Common as may authorized [illegible] commencing about the 15th of May and ending in the month of September - the expense of the same to be charged to Incidental Expenses. An amendment to insert the words "Copps Hill" after the word Common, not having been sustained - the order was passed to the Committee on the Common and Public Squares.

Adjourned to Tuesday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

A meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at the City Hall on Thursday the Twenty eighth day of April Anno Domini 1853

Present

The whole Board except the Mayor and Alderman Gary.

Chairman

The Mayor being absent, Alderman James was elected Chairman pro tem.

Petition of George Smiley to be compensated for damages sustained from raising the grade of Church Street; and of Mary A. Morgan for the same object. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Morgan & Church Street

Remonstrance of John H. Span against the proposed widening of Fan Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Fan Street.

Remonstrance

The Common Council having amended the Ordinance on Hackneys &c. so that it shall go into operation in thirty days from its passage instead of sixty days. Said action came up for consideration, read and concurred.

Ordinance

The application of Charles A. Mayo for the office of Superintendent of Internal Health was taken from the Table, and sent down to the Common Council.

Mayo

Petition

Petitions presented by this Board on the eighteenth day of April instant,

it was declared that the drain situated in the rear of Newton Place, and owned by Thomas Brewer, Samuel K. Allen & S. Mascarenhas, A. P. Gould, Ruth Richardson, George Rogers, Alexander Gaston, and James Moore, was in a state of nuisance, and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, and it was then and thereby ordered that notice in writing be given to said parties to cause the said nuisance [illegible] in said premises and consisting of an obstructed drain to be removed within five days from the day of the date of said order by causing a proper drain to be constructed for said premises: And whereas it appears that due notice was given to said parties pursuant to said order, and that the said parties have neglected to cause the said nuisance to be removed, and that the same still remains a nuisance as before; and whereas the said term of five days has expired: It is therefore, Ordered, That the Chief of Police be and he is hereby directed to cause the said nuisance to be removed forthwith, by cleansing said obstructed drain or by causing a new and sufficient drain to be made at the expense of the said several parties who will be benefited thereby.

Ordered: That the order of Common Council passed on the 25th of April instant, to pay Peter Seaman and David S. McGilvray, the sum of [illegible] dollars, for damage done and by them of grade in Church Street, be and the same is hereby rescinded and declared to be null and void.

Ordered: That there be paid

Reynolds for damages occasioned by the change of grade in Church Street, upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said change and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving &c.

McGilvray Ordered: That there be paid to David F. McGilvray the sum of One hundred dollars for damages occasioned by the change of grade in Church Street upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said change; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving &c.

Auditors Estimates The Joint Special Committee on the Auditors Estimates of Expenditures for the ensuing year, and the ways and means of meeting the same, have given the subject a very careful consideration. They have deemed it necessary to make but a few alterations in the Estimates. Some deductions have been made from the total amount of Expenditures, and the correction of a clerical error in the estimated income from Rents, has increased the amount of the ways and means. So that the deductions and corrections amount to only $18,100, as will be seen by the following statement

Deductions

From Advertising $200

Animal Health.	500		273
Engine House	100		[illegible]
Primary School House	1,500	[illegible]	
Additions—			
For payment on account of the			
City Debt	[illegible]		
For Interest.	5,000		
Sewers	2,000		
Hospital & Boston.	2000		
Public Library.	2000	15,000	
Net deduction from Expenditures.		3,200	

To the Income they add, for Rents, 15,000

They deduct from

Burial Grounds 400

[illegible] 1,700

Net deductions, $18,100

These alterations reduce the net amount of money ac=
quired for the service of the year to the sum of $1,467,
100. Your Committee have felt very sensibly the impert=
ance of strict economy in the expenditures, and feel
confident that, with proper care and attention on the
part of the disbursing committee, the amount now ap=
propriated to each appropriation will be found amply suf=
ficient to meet all the necessary expenditures for the
coming year. The necessity of having the payments
kept within the limits of the original appropriations
ought not to be lost sight of. The Committee think that
no work, not anticipated, and provided for, when the
appropriations for the year are made, should be under=

April 28. 1853. both Boards of the City Council; for in no other way can the advantages of making Specific appropriations, at the commencement of each year be realized. The Seventh Section of the Joint Rules and Orders of the City Council evidently contemplates such a restriction, on both branches of the government, irrespective of the authority of either over the finances of the City. With these views the Committee recommend the adoption of an order which contemplates a special application to the City Council, before the work is undertaken, for the means of carrying out any project not provided for in this appropriation Bill. It will be perceived that the Auditors Estimates include an item of $323,000, for the cost of extending and carrying on the Water Works, and for paying the interest on the Water Debt. The Income from the Works is estimated at $200.000, thus leaving a balance of $123.000 to be provided for. The Committee think it will not be advisable to levy a tax for all this amount the present year, and they recommend that a loan of $100,000 towards this object be authorized. It is a fact, perhaps not known to all the members of the City Council, that the aggregate amount of Taxable property returned by the Assessors last year, was $15,600,267.00 than the amount returned for the previous year, (1851). On reference to the Auditors annual statements of Receipts and Expenditures, it will be seen that there was an annual increase in the amount of Real and Personal Estate, averaging nearly 8 per cent. per annum from 1844 to 1850 inclusive. The falling off, this year, in 1852. was unex-

pected, and it is hoped will more again occur. A favor-
able change having taken place in the business of the
country since last years valuation, the conclusion seems
now to be justified that the property of the City this year
will be found so much increased as to warrant the as-
sessment now required without any considerable in-
crease in the ratio of taxation. The net amount of money
required by the Auditor, per his Estimate, was $1405.00
The deductions and corrections now proposed
by the Committee, amount to 18,100
1,467,700
If of this amount we borrow 100,000
The net amount required will be $1,367,700
To raise this sum a Gross Tax will be
necessary to the amount 1,448,000
Deduct from which an allowance for abatements,
&c. and amounts which will not be realized
in time for the service of the year, say 80,300
We have the balance required, $1,367,700
The Committee recommend the passage of the order
annexed. For the Committee, Benjamin Seaver, Chairman.

An Order relating to the Specific Appropriations for the Appropriations.
Financial Year 1853.54. It is hereby ordained by the City
Council, That to defray the Expenditures of the City of
Boston and the County of Suffolk, for the financial
year which will commence with the first day of May
1853, and end with the last day of April 1854. the fol-
lowing sums of money be, and the same are hereby re-
spectively appropriated for the objects and purposes as

2nd. expained in the Auditors Estimates, hereto annexed:-

April 28 1853. that is to say-

Annuities- Five hundred and fifty dollars,	550
Advertising and Newspapers- Twenty five hundred dollars,	2,500
Bells and Clocks- Fifteen hundred dollars,	1,500
Burial Grounds- Twenty nine hundred dollars,	2,900
[illegible]	0,000
Boston Harbor- Two thousand dollars,	2,000
[illegible]	10,000
Common &c- Twenty seven thousand dollars,	27,000
City Debt- Fifty nine thousand dollars,	59,000
External Health Department- Three thousand, five hundred dollars,	3,500
Engine, Hook and Ladder and Hose Carriage Houses- Ten thousand dollars,	10,000
Fire Department &c- Seventy five thousand and five hundred dollars,	75,500
Gas Fixtures- Ten thousand dollars,	10,000
House of Correction- Forty thousand dollars,	40,000
House of Industry, Reformation and Deer Island Hospital- Eighty five thousand dollars,	85,000
[illegible]	5,000
Interest- One hundred and five thousand dollars,	105,000
Incidental Expenses- Thirty five thousand dollars,	35,000
Lamps- Seventy thousand dollars,	70,000
Lunatic Hospital- Twenty two thousand dollars,	22,000
Market House- Three thousand five hundred dollars,	3,500
Militia Bounty- Six thousand dollars,	6,000
Overseers of the Poor- Thirty thousand dollars,	30,000

Old Claims_ Five thousand dollars,			5,000	277.
Paving, Grading and Repairing of Streets_				April 28, 1853.
One hundred and eighty thousand dollars,			180,000	
Police_ Forty thousand dollars,			40,000	
Public Buildings_ Six thousand dollars,			6,000	
Printing &c._ Seven thousand dollars,			7,000	
Public Library_ Seven thousand dollars,			7,000	
Reserved Fund_ Twenty five thousand dollars,			25,000	
Schools, viz:				
Grammar and High Schools:				
Instructors,	127,700			
Salary of Superintendent & Secretary,	3,000			
Incidental Expenses and ordinary				
Repairs on Houses,	27,300			
Contemplated alteration of Houses,				
as per Auditor's Estimate,	30,000			
	188,000			
Primary Schools:				
Instructors,	65,000			
Incidental Expenses,	25,000			
New Houses,	22,500	112,500		300,500
Sewers and Drains_ Twenty five thousand dollars				25,000
Salaries_ Seventy thousand dollars,				70,000
Unliquidated Street Claims_ Twenty five thousand dollars				25,000
Widening and Extending Streets_				
Seventy five thousand dollars,				75,000
Watch Department_ Forty one thousand dollars,				41,000
Water Works per Auditor's Estimates_ Three hundred				
and twenty three thousand dollars,				323,000

278. Wharf at East Boston—Ten thousand dollars, 10,000

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day One Million Nine hundred and seventy three thous=
and four hundred and fifty dollars.—And it is further
Appropriations Ordered, That no expenditures of money for any purpose
not contemplated in the present appropriation bill, or
which may not be fairly considered as provided for in some
one of its specific appropriations, shall be allowed until spec=
ial provision is made therefor by a vote of the City Council;—
provided however, that any sums of money which may be
subscribed, or contributed by individuals, to promote the ob=
ject [illegible] the foregoing appropriations and which form
no part of the estimated income of the City, shall be strictly
applied according to the intention of the Contributors, and
shall be credited to said appropriation accordingly. From
the amount appropriated before stated, viz: 1.973.450
Estimated Income as per
Statement on page 27 of Document № 22— 492.850
Add corrections as stated on page 4. of same— 12.900 505.750
We have the amount needed to meet the payments viz: 1467.700
To raise this amount, a Gross Tax will be
equal to 1510.000
Of which it is proposed to borrow 100.000
1448.000
Deduct allowance for abatements, losses and
amount which will remain uncollected
at the close of the year, say 80.300
Net amount to be realized from Taxation 1367.700
Amount to be raised by loan. 100.000
$1.467.700.00

In Common Council. Read accepted and the Order 279.
passed. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred April 28. 1853.

On motion of Alderman Lee
Ordered the Order of the Common Council entitled "An
Act 1853-54" was taken from the table, and is as follows, viz:
An Order levying a Tax to defray the expenses of the City
of Boston, and the County of Suffolk for the financial
year which will commence with the first day of May,
1853, and will end with the last day of April 1854. Ordered: That the sum of One Million, four hundred and
eighty four thousand dollars is raised on the polls and
estates of the inhabitants of this city, according to law, to
pay the current expenses of the City and County, during
the financial year which will commence with the first
day of May, 1853. and end with the last day of April,
1854. Read in Common Council. Came up concurrence
concurred with the following amendment, at A.
Strike out "eighty four," and insert "forty eight." Sent down
for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Ordered: That the Loan
Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized to borrow, under
the direction of the Committee on Finance, the sum of One
hundred thousand dollars, and that the same be appropriated to meet in part the authorized expenditures
the financial year 1853-54. Yeas and Nays were
required upon the passage of the above order, they were
taken as follows - Yeas - Aldermen James, Sleeper, Reed, Rich,
Ewing, Wells, Frost - 7. Nays 0. So said order passed. Sent down for concurrence
Dec. 15. Came up concurred. Yeas 35. Nay 1.

April 28. 1853.

Faneuil Hall Market.

Alderman Sleeper offered the following order — Ordered: That the Committee on Faneuil Hall Market be and they are hereby authorized to let at Public Auction the Stall numbered one hundred and two (102) in said market, formerly occupied and now relinquished by Aaron D. Williams. Read and laid on the Table.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Saturday the Thirtieth day of April, Anno Domini, 1853.

Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Public Buildings.

Ordered: That the penalty of the Bond required to be given by the Superintendent of Public Buildings, under the Ordinance of 1850. shall be in the sum of Five Thousand Dollars.

Franklin Street.

Ordered: That George Adams be and he is hereby authorized to cause Franklin Street

and Franklin Place to be re-numbered, agreeably to the plan herewith annexed.

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April 30, 1833.

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Lands be fully authorized, under advice of the City Solicitor, to take in behalf of the City the Bridge across South Bay at a valuation of what the material would be worth to take away at his term; according to the term and by virtue of the contract between the City of Boston and William Evans, as principal, and John M. Mayo and Horatio Evans, Sureties, made on the Seventeenth day of April in the year eighteen hundred and forty eight, as at the common council time appointed, read and concurred.

South Bay Bridge. Evans.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the owner and occupant of Willow Street, in front of the Stable in said Street, to cause their Sidewalks to be paved with Brick or Flat Stone, according to law, within Twenty days from the date hereof.

Willow St.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the second day of May. A.D. 1853.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Dowley — Petition of Levi A. Dowley for postponement of assessment for construction of a Common Sewer in Broad and Atkinson Streets. Referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains.

Wilkins & Bumstead court. — Petition of Charles Wilkins and others that Bumstead Court may be continued to Haymarket Place. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Church St: Dyer Page Nourse & others. — Petition of F. M. Dyer — George Nourse — Simon Page and other Owners of Estate on Church Street, that damages may then & there severally to be compensated for the damage sustained by them in consequence of the change of grade in Church Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Ledge — Petition of John E. Ledge for leave to construct coal holes under the sidewalk in Broad Street; — Leeds — of Samuel Leeds and others for leave to set trees in the sidewalks at South Boston; — Bullard — of Bullard and others for leave to move their wooden buildings from Davis Street to Hay Street; — Whittier — of Seth Whittier and others that Andover Street may be paved; — Haseltine — of George Haseltine to be compensated the damage sustained by him from raising the grade of Vernon Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Henry S. Risley for leave to exhibit a Panorama of the River Thames. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. May 2. 1853. Risley.

Petition of Walter Channing and 2169 others in favor of the establishment of a High School for Girls. Referred to the School Committee. Channing. High School for Girls.

Petition of John T. Heard, John M. Barnard & Co. John Hull & Co. and Luther Tellen & Son for renewal of their licenses as Manufacturers of Intoxicating liquors. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. Manufacturers of Intoxicating Liquors.

Petition of Paran Stevens to be licensed as an Innholder at Tremont and Revere Houses. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. Stevens.

On motion of Alderman Rich, the reports giving leave to withdraw on petitions of McGilvery and John Wade as Innholders, were recommitted to the Committee on Licenses. McGilvery. Wade.

Petition of William Hickey and others for leave to form a mil. Military Company under the name of the "Meagher Rifles." Referred to Aldermen Rich, Frost, and White. Hickey. Meagher Rifles.

Petition of Samuel Jepson & others, that South Margin Street be lighted with gas. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Petition of Henry Welch and

May 2. 1853. Welch others that a nuisance caused by the exposed Drains in Grange and Village Streets, may be abated. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Wiggin. Petition of William B. Weeks and others in favor of the appointment of Samuel Wiggin as Superintendent of Internal Health, was read and sent down.

Dudley & Co's Steam engine Petition of Benjamin Dudley & Co. for leave to erect and maintain a Steam Engine in rear of No. 57 Washington Street. Referred to the Committee on Steam Engines.

Lawrence North Market St. Petition of Abbott Lawrence & others that the restrictions originally imposed on the property in North Market Street may be removed. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, May 5th

Richardson Notice was received from the Cochituate Water Board that Thomas Richardson had encroached upon the land recently purchased by the City for a Pipe Yard &c. Read and referred to the City Solicitor.

Unitarian Association. Faneuil Hall. Petition of the Unitarian Association for the use of Faneuil Hall on May 24th for the purpose of holding therein their Annual Festival. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board with full power.

Auctioneer Came J. Parker was appointed an Auctioneer of the City.

On the petition of G. P. Skin- 283.
ner to exhibit certain Natural Curiosities in Haymarket ... May 2. 1853.
Square the Committee on Licenses reported in favor of the Skinner.
same. Read and accepted.

On the petition of Thomas Brown
Brown to have to give an exhibition of the Art of Self
Defence the Committee on Licenses reported in favor of
the same. Read and accepted.

Thomas B. Brown to have an Intelligence
to keep an Intelligence Office at No 3 Temple Street. office.

On the petition of B. F. Butler, Butler.
Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be instructed Princeton
to have sidewalks laid with brick on Princeton Street street
on such places between Marion and Meridian Streets as
have not been done in conformity with an order of this
Board, passed April 1853. and that the expense of the
same be charged to the abutters on the same.

On the petition of David H. Birney Birney
Birney, Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be Saratoga St.
instructed to fill up and grade Saratoga Street, from
Marion to Bancroft Street.

Quarterly Reports of the City City Clerk
Clerk, City Registrar, and the Haywrighter, were read and Registrar
ordered on. In Common Council placed on file. Haywrighter.

Report of the Superintendent of Pen- Marked.
sions. The Marked was read and placed on file.

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May 2. 1853.

Lands.

Report of the Superintendent of Public Lands for the four months ending April 30. 1853 was laid on the Table and ordered to be printed.

Report of Assessor containing a full statement of his doings for the year 1852. was read and placed on file and thereupon on motion of the Mayor, George Hall was re-appointed Assessor until the first day of May next ensuing.

Howard.

Mechanic St.

On the petition of John Howard and others that Mechanic Street may be widened the Committee on laying out and widening Streets, reported, that said measure is inexpedient at the present time. Read and accepted.

French.

Hale

Howell

Green St.

Thomas Joseph Hale has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Howell and Green Streets in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Streets should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the heirs of Benjamin French, and to Joseph Hale that this Board intend to widen the Streets here mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Street - and that Monday, the Ninth day of May instant at four o'clock, P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Ordered: That the Superin- | 287.
tendent of Streets be and he is hereby instructed to have | May 2, 1853.
a new Street from State Street to Court Square, paved with | Court
Iron, under the direction of the Committee on Paving; and | Street.
that the expense of the same be charged to the appropriation
for Paving.

On motion of the Mayor, | Police
Isaac H. Jones was appointed a Special Police Officer at
Telegraphic Hall, East Boston.

Ordered: That the Super- | Federal
intendent of Streets be instructed to pave Federal & Franklin | & Franklin
Streets in front and at the Side of Merriam and Brewer's | Streets.
new Block of Stores.

Ordered: That due notice | Meridian
be given that this Board will, on Monday next, at four | Street.
o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of
constructing a Common Sewer in Meridian East between
Monmouth Street and White Street, and of assessing the
expense thereof on the persons who may other than gratuitously
use Drains into such Common Sewer, or who by any more
remote means shall receive any benefit thereby; & any
person making objections thereto, will then and there be
heard.

Ordered: That the Chief of | weights
Police be instructed to have the Ordinance in relation | on the
to sticking weights on the Common and White Squares | Common
in the City, enforced.

On the petition of Richard | Rich-
Rich and Henry H. Whitcomb for leave to construct Vaults | Whitcomb

288 in the East Boston Burying Ground, the Committee on
May 2. 1853. Streets reported that the prayer of the petitioners be granted. Read and accepted.

Esq.
Twenty fed St:
Main East

The Committee on Streets in conjunction with the Committee on Paving to whom was referred the order upon Petitions and Plans, Dorr, Quincy, Gold and Silver Streets be accepted and laid out as public Streets and also the petition of Chauncey Page and others in relation to Twenty feet Streets, ask leave to Report: The Committee find that an order was passed in 1850, that Silver, Gold, Athens, Dove, Bolton and Roger Streets be accepted whenever the abutters shall grade and put them in good order to the satisfaction of the Committee on Streets. As these Streets have never been accepted, your Committee presume that these conditions have never been complied with. Such also appears to be the fact from an examination of the Streets themselves. The Streets are in bad order, and could not in the opinion of your Committee be properly graded by the City without considerable expense, and without incurring the liability of damage to a very considerable amount. The Committee are of opinion that the requisition contained in the order of 1850 is a reasonable one, and that it is not just for the City to incur the expense for doing what should properly be done by the abutters and what would redound to their benefit. On the other hand your Committee are aware that it is difficult for a work of this kind to be done by concert among individuals, and that the difficulty and expense of the undertaking will be increased as more houses are erected. They

also suppose that the City would be liable for any accidents which might occur in these streets in consequence of their bad condition equally as in other streets, unless some measure should be taken by which this liability would be avoided. The existence of twenty foot streets is greatly to be regretted. There are difficulties in regard to them in whatever course the City may elect. If these are excepted in South Boston, there are others in the City proper, which probably have equal claims. & then perhaps the damage to the City may be as great or greater. Your Committee think that if the abutters on these several streets, would confer among themselves, and secure the City from damage in consequence of change of grade or propose a specific sum, which they would contribute towards the expense or damage, it would be advisable to take measures to ascertain the probable cost to the City, and act accordingly: but they are apprehensive from their experience in similar cases if the City proceeds at once to accept and grade the streets, that those, who are mainly benefitted by the work, will not only not contribute towards it, but may perhaps be unreasonable in their demands for damages. They would however think it inexpedient to adopt the proposed order, or grant the prayer of the petitioners. For the Committee, Sampson Reed, Chairman. Read and accepted.

South Bay lands

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Lands be authorized to report in print to the City Council, under the order of January last, in relation to the South Bay lands. Sent down for concurrence.

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Ann Street.

Hall and Wilkinson.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Ann Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take and lay out as a public Street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Hall and Wilkinson bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the Northeasterly corner of the said premises, at the point where the proposed line of widening of Ann Street meets the Northerly line of Ann Street Place, so called; thence running Westwardly, by land heretofore taken from Nathan Mathews to widen said Street, nine feet; thence Southwardly, by Ann Street, twenty one feet and thirty hundredths of a foot; thence Eastwardly, by other land of said Hall and Wilkinson, nine feet and forty seven hundredths of a foot; and thence Northwardly, along said proposed line of widening, twenty one feet and thirty hundredths of a foot, to the point of beginning; containing one hundred and ninety four square feet and twenty five hundredths of a square [illegible] And whereas due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public Street or way in the said City, according to a plan of the said widening made by E. S. Chesbrough dated Feb. 14. 1853 and added to May 2d 1853 and deposited in the office of the said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Ann Street, aforesaid,

will amount to Two Hundred and fifty dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous Alterations or discontinuances in said Street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the Sum of five thousand dollars.

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Whereas this Board by a Resolve passed this day took a certain parcel of land, therein described, lying on Ann Street and laid out the same as a public Street or way of said City, it is therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to Hall and Wilkinson and all other persons interested as owners, proprietors, tenants, occupants, or otherwise, in said land that they cut off, pull down, remove and carry away all buildings, erections and obstructions of every sort standing on and projecting over the line of said Ann Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, or, move and set back the same to the said line, and vacate and surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid on or before the first day of June now next ensuing. And in default thereof, the Chief of Police is hereby directed and empowered forthwith to enter upon said land and cut off all buildings, erections and obstructions standing on and projecting over the line of said Ann Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down, removed and carried away, or to be moved and set back to said line, and the said land to be vacated and surrendered under the direction of the Committee on laying out and widening Streets.

Hall & Wilkinson - Ann Street.

Mar 2. 1855. Ordered: That the sum of
Mc Dermott. thirteen dollars and twenty nine cents assessed upon
the Heirs of Michael Mc Dermott for their proportional
part of the cost of constructing the Common Sewer in
Border Street, be and the same is hereby abated, in con-
sequence of the inability of the Heirs to pay the same.

Broadway. No person appearing to object
E and F to the proposed construction of a Common Sewer in Broad
Streets. way, E. and F. Streets - said subject was recommitted
to the Committee on Sewers and Drains with full power.

Washington Resolved, That the safety
Street - and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require
Widening that Washington Street should be widened and for
Mosely. that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a
public Street or way of the said City, a parcel of land
belonging to Fanny Richardson, and Frances Ann
Mosely - bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the
Southwesterly corner of the said premises, at the point
where the boundary line between land of said Rich-
ardson and Mosely, and land of J. P. Thornelike marks
the present southeasterly line of Washington Street;
thence running Easterardly, along said boundary
line six feet and seventy hundredths of a foot; thence
Northwesterardly along the proposed line of widening
of said Street, about fifteen feet and fifty hundredths of
a foot; thence Westerardly, by land heretofore taken to
widen said Street, six feet and three hundredths of a foot;

and thence Southwesterly by Washington Street, seven-
teen feet and seventeen hundredths of a foot to the ground
& containing one hundred and one square
feet and ninety hundredths of a square foot, more or
less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention
of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose
aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed.
It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before
described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid
out as a public Street or way of the said City according
to a plan of the said widening made by E. S. Chestrook
dated March 7th 1853. and added to May 2d 1853. and deposit-
ed in the office of the said Mayor and Aldermen. And
this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening
the said Washington Street, as aforesaid will amount
to the sum of five hundred dollars: which sum together
with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or
discontinuances in said Street, during the present
municipal year does exceed the sum of five thousand
dollars. Read, and the foregoing Resolve and Order
passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred
May 2.

Washington Street. Thorndike

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Washington Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public Street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Mr. Thorndike Proctor as follows: Begin-
ning at the Northwesterly corner of the said premises

294 at the point where the boundary line between land of
May 2. 1853 said Thorndike and land of Fanny Richardson and
Frances Ann Mosely, meets the present Southeasterly line
of Washington Street; thence running Eastwardly, along
said boundary line, six feet and seventy hundredths of
a foot; thence Southwesterwardly, along the proposed line of
widening of Washington Street, about twenty two feet
twenty hundredths of a foot, thence Westwardly, by land
heretofore taken from J. G. & C. Blake, Trustees, to widen said
Street, six feet and eighty six hundredths of a foot; and
thence Northeastwardly, by Washington Street, twenty two
feet and fifty five hundredths of a foot, to the point of be-
ginning; containing one hundred and thirty nine
square feet and sixty hundredths of a square foot, more
or less. And said Board also voted and determined & the In-
tention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the
purpose aforesaid as appears by a plan made and
by said Board. Said parcel of land described
as described be, and the same hereby is taken and laid out as
a public Road or way of the said City according to a plan
of the said widening made by E. S. Chesbrough dated March 7.
1853 and added to May 2nd 1853. and deposited in the
office of the said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board
doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said
Washington Street, as aforesaid, will amount to two
thousand dollars: which sum together with the amount
of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances
in said Street, during the present municipal year, do
exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read and the

foregoing Resolve and order passed. Sent down for concur-
rence. Came up concurred. May 12th

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A letter from Thomas Hunt- Streets.
ing resigning his office of Superintendent of Streets. Came Supt. of
up from the Common Council. Read and placed on file.

Applications for the office Streets.
of Superintendent of Streets from Theophilus Hover, James Superintendent.
Freeman, and Ezra Forristall, were read and sent
down; and the Board thereupon voted to proceed to the
choice of a Superintendent of Streets for the year ensuing,
and the ballots having been taken and counted it ap-
peared that John P. Ober was elected on the part of this
Board. Sent down for concurrence.

Whereas, by an agree- Quincy
ment made between the City of Boston and Josiah Quincy City Wharf
on the first day of November last in relation to the City
Wharf Estate, made in pursuance of an order of the City
Council it was provided, among other things that, if
the said Quincy his heirs executors administrators
or assigns should at any time, sell, or assign his inter-
est in any portion of said estate, and should give notice
of the same in writing, to the City of Boston, the said
City would, as to such portions, upon the written request
of said Quincy, his heirs, executors, administrators or
assigns, and at his own cost, give, execute and
deliver agreements to convey such portions to such pur-
chasers or assignees upon the same terms and conditions
as are contained in said agreements, and would re-

296 ceive therefor, suitable bonds of such purchasers or assig-
[illegible] and to the approval of such sales & assignments to
made by said Quincy, his heirs, executors, administrators
or assigns; such bonds should be similar in form to the one
then executed by said Quincy, the penal sum to be
twice the amount of the purchase money, and the pay-
ments to be made annually, in such equal sums, that
the whole amount would be paid within eighteen
years from November 1st 1852. And the same should op-
erate as a discharge pro tanto of said Quincy, his
heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, of the amount
agreed to be paid by him. Provided however, that no
such arrangement should be made, unless the City
Council for the time being should pass a vote declaring
that in their judgement, the residue of said property
would be ample security for what might be due from
said Quincy, his heirs, executors, administrators, or
assigns, on his bond to the City, and provided also that
the description of territory so sold or assigned should be
made by the City Engineer for the time being, or by
some person appointed by the Mayor of the City of Bos
ton, And provided, also, that the said Quincy his heirs,
executors, administrators or assigns should execute and
deliver to the City of Boston a release of the land so
sold or assigned by him. And whereas it appears by the
written notice of said Quincy, that he has made sale
of a portion of said estate, being the narrow lot laid
down on a plan by Gridley J. F. Bryant hereto annexed,
as lying between the lot marked **E**. and South Market

said is extended, therefore Ordered: That in the judgment of the City Council the retention of said property is ample security for what may be due from said Quincy, his heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, on his bond to the City, and the Mayor is authorized to execute and deliver a suitable agreement to the purchasers of said lot and to receive their bond, and the same when received shall be applied to the payments to be made by the said Quincy on his bond to the City, in the order in which they become due and payable, Whereas, it has been represented that the said purchasers may desire to pay cash for the lots so purchased by them: Ordered: That they be allowed so to do at any time within six months after May 1st 1853. by giving twenty days notice of their intention to that effect and their bond to the City may contain stipulation to that end. Read in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. May 2 1853

Sail Lands. Hammond. Fitzpatrick

Ordered: That the Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands be and they are hereby authorized to report in print on the remonstrance of Nathaniel Hammond and others, and the petition of John B. Fitzpatrick and John McElroy. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Wiggin. Baker.

Applications of Samuel Wiggin and of Benjamin F. Baker severally for the office of Superintendent of Internal Health. Came up from the Common Council. Read and placed on file.

Petition of John Green Jr.

May 2. 1853. and others that Faneuil Hall be covered with a coat
Green. of Mastic. Referred in Common Council to the Commit-
Faneuil Hall. tee on Public Buildings. Came up for concurrence. Read
and laid on the table.

Superintendent
Pub: Buildings. On Petition of Samuel C. Fellows
as Superintendent of Public Buildings was appointed by
the Board.

Sp. on Petition
Johnson. On the petition of Isaac Johnson
and others that this Board would take measures for the ap-
pointment of a Guardian over Edward Johnson, formerly
an Accountant of this City;- it appearing to the Board
that said Johnson is an idle and dissolute person, it was
ordered that a petition from the Board be framed to the
Judge of Probate for the County of Suffolk for the appoint-
ment of a Guardian over said Johnson according to law.

Lumber
Sur. General. Order of the Common Council,
appointing Messrs. Hinds, Cowdin and Bonney on the
part of that branch a Committee to confer with the Board
of Mayor and Aldermen in reference to the election of a
Surveyor General of Lumber for the ensuing year, came
up to be joined. Read and laid upon the table.

Lumber
Sur. General. On motion of Alderman Frost,
the election of the Surveyor General of Lumber was taken
from the table, and the Board proceeded by ballot to the
choice of said officer- with the following result- Whole
number of votes 9. Necessary for choice- 5. Charles Leighton

had 4. Francis Bullard 2. Osgood Eaton 2. George Page 1 and there was no choice. 299. May 2. 1853.

On motion of Alderman James the Board proceeded to a second ballot with follow- Sur. Gen. ing result. Whole number of ballots 9. Necessary necessary 5. Charles Leighton had 4. Francis Bullard 2. Osgood Eaton 2. George Page 1. No choice. On motion of Alderman Whiting the further balloting for the office of Surveyor General of Lumber was postponed until the 16th instant.

Alderman Frost submitted to the Board an Ordinance (as on file) to repeal certain Ordinances relating to Lumber. Read and referred to the Committee on Ordinances. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred May 5. Lumber Ordinance.

Petition of Charles Mayo & others in relation to restrictions upon the Public Lands and asking for their removal in certain cases. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Public Lands. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Mayo & Lands.

Petition of Johnson and Young that they may be supplied with Cochituate Water on Warren Bridge. Referred to the Cochituate Water Board in concurrence with full power. Johnson & Young.

Ordered: That the Committee already appointed be authorized & [illegible] to the [illegible] of the United States on the occasion of his passing through the city on his contemplated visit to New Hampshire &c. President Steam

Bro'd nospitalities of the City. Passed in Common Council. Came
May 2. 1853 up for concurrence. Read and concured.

Wilkins. Citizen Edward G. F. Wilkins &
Ogden & others that better accommodations be provided for them
in the Common Council Chamber. Referred to the Commit-
tee on Public Buildings in concurrence.

Irish Irish & Vandenburg having been
& Curtis elected Inspector of Lighters and Ballast by the Common
Council thereby nonconcurring with this Board in the elec-
tion of Henry Curtis to the same office - the Board proceeded
again to a choice and it appeared that Henry Curtis
was again elected on the part of this Board. Sent down
for concurrence.

Faneuil Hall On motion of Alderman Lee.
& Market the following order was taken from the table - Ordered:
That the Committee on Faneuil Hall Market be and
they are hereby authorized to let at Public Auction the
Stall numbered one hundred and two in said Market
formerly occupied by Aaron D. Williams and now re-
linquished by him. The question being taken on the pas-
sage of this order it was rejected by a vote of 3 to 5.

Petition of Curtis & Co. and others.
occupants of Faneuil Hall Market that Stall No. 102 may
be let to Stacy Hall. Referred to the Committee on the Market
with full power.

Adjourned to Monday at four o'clock P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Wednesday the Fourth day of May, A.D. 1853.

Present

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Fast, Whiting and Cary.

Whereas John E. Lodge has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Broad and Battleymarch Streets in the said City, and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Broad Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Lodge that this Board intend to widen Broad Street before mentioned by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid and laying out the same as a public Street and that Monday, the Ninth day of May instant at four o'clock P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto. Lodge - Broad Street.

The Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board to whom were referred the several petitions of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery company for the use of Faneuil Hall & the Ancient & Honorable Artillery - Faneuil Hall - Ancient & Honorable Artillery -

& of the Committee of the Unitarian Societies for its use on May 24th for their Annual Festival of the Massachusetts Medical Society for its use May 25th for their Annual Dinner, ask leave to report That under a strict construction of the very proper rule, which has been Unitarian Society - Mass. Med. Society -

302. observed during the last two years the application of two, at least of these petitioners should perhaps be reject-
ed, as the objects for which the use of the Hall is asked
are not in accordance with the expressed object for
which it was given to the Town of Boston by its patriotic
Founder. The City records show that the Ancient and Hon-
orable Artillery Company whose charter was granted in 1638.
have had the use of the Hall each year since its erection
for the purpose of holding therein their Annual dinner on
Election Day; and the history of that ancient corps is so
closely connected with "Old Faneuil Hall" that your
Committee think that the dinner of that Corps should
always constitute an exception to the general rule, for-
bidding the use of the Hall to any societies or associations
which will exclude any portions of the Citizens of Boston.
Your Committee intended to report that the other petitioners
have leave to withdraw, for the reasons above stated, and
because it will be difficult to discriminate in cases of
future applications, if these be granted. But the Annual
Festivals of the Unitarian Societies and the Medical
Society [illegible] , [illegible] and Peculiar [illegible] not
only to their members in Boston but to their brethren
throughout the New England States. These Associations for
the purpose of their annual dinners, have usually
occupied Assembly Hall which is the only building in
the City large enough, and which has suitable accom-
modations for these assemblies. This Hall, your Commit-
tee are informed, has been let for other purposes, and
unless Faneuil Hall can be obtained, these annual

festivals will not be held this year, much to the regret & disappointment of hundreds of our fellow citizens throughout the State, who make it a point to attend them with their families. Under these circumstances your Committee regret that the prayer of your petitioners be granted under the usual regulations. For the Committee, Benjamin James, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Ninth day of May, Anno Domini, 1853.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Draper and Frost.

Petition of Charles G. Greene and others, that C. P. Philbrick may be appointed Superintendent of Buildings. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. Greene

Petition of John Griggs for leave to move a wooden building from Portland Street to Lenox Street;- of S. & J.W. Howard for leave to move a wooden building from First to Seventh Streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving with full power. Griggs-Howard.

Petition of John C. League

May of 1853. to be paid for services rendered in the Fire Department
League. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

McCarthy- Petition of Michael McCarthy,
Bailey- to be paid for the damage sustained by him from the change
Hynes of grade in Lincoln Street,— of George Bailey to be paid for the
Weld. damage caused by the change of grade in Piedmont
Lincoln & Street,— of Thomas Hynes for compensation for the change
Piedmont, of grade in Saratoga Street,— of John G. Weld, Guardian,
Saratoga, to be paid for the damage occasioned by the change of
Fayette Sts. grade in Fayette Street. Referred to the Committee on
Paving.

Souther Petition of John Souther & others,
for the use of a portion of the vacant land at the junc-
tion of Stanhope and Trenday Street, South Boston, for
the purpose of establishing Platform Scales. Referred to
the Committee on Paving.

Hyde Park. Petition of Thomas Hynes
Jeffries. and others that Curve Street may be paved; of John
Curve & Jeffries and others that Marginal Street may be guard-
Marginal St. ed by the city pursuant to the Act [illegible] Referred
to the Committee on Paving.

Crocker- Petition of Uriel Crocker and
Adams. others that Chardon Street may be extended to Merri-
Chardon & mac Street; and a communication from Nathaniel Ad-
Merrimac ams and others respecting the widening of Merrimac
Sts. Sts. were referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of Benjamin Dean &c. &c.
to be paid for the Sewer laid by him in East Orange Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains. May 9. 1853. Dean.

Petition of Samuel Train & others for the extension of Perry Street, and a remonstrance from Peter Hobart, Jr. against the extension of Bumstead Court, were referred to the Committee on Streets. Train. Perry St. Hobart, Bumstead Ct.

Petition of John Gove Wm. and others that a nuisance may be abated in the rear of Merchants Row, of Albert J. Wright that a nuisance be abated at the junction of Fourth Street and the "Old Road", were referred to the Committee on Internal health. Gove. Wright.

Petition of a Committee of the Universalist Societies of Boston for the use of Faneuil Hall on the 26th of May, wherein to hold their Annual Sermon. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board, with full power. Universalist Societies. Faneuil Hall.

Petition of Thomas Leonard & others praying for an investigation into his alleged encroachment on the City's land. Referred to the City Solicitor. Richardson.

Petition of Nahum Ball & others that the City would assume the expense of lighting & illuminating the clock on the William Gaskell Street to the Committee on Lamps and Clocks. Ball. William Gaskell

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On the petition of Henry A. Thames for leave to exhibit a Panorama of the River Thames at the Melodeon, the Committee on Licenses reported that the prayer of the petitioner be granted. Read and accepted.

Lodge.

Leave was granted to John E. Lodge to construct a Coal hole under the sidewalk in Broad Street, on the usual conditions.

Licensed Innholders. Victuallers.

Agreeably to the reports of the Committee on Licenses, Simon Stevens and others were licensed as Innholders - and William Souther and others as Victuallers, under the Statutes of 1837 - "without authority to sell liquor"; as recorded in the books kept for that purpose.

Dogs.

Report of the Chief of Police on the number of Dogs licensed since February last, was read and sent down. In Common Council placed on file.

Sanford. Oliver Street.

Ordered, That the Chief of Police be directed to notify Samuel Sanford to cause his Sidewalks in front of Nos 8. 9. 10 and 11 Oliver Street to be paved with Brick or Flat Stones, according to law, within ten days from the date hereof.

Myer. Harrison Avenue.

Ordered, That the Chief of Police be directed to notify Cyrus Myer to cause his Sidewalk in Harrison Avenue, corner of Castle Street to be laid with new Plank, according to law, within ten days from the date hereof.

Ordered, That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the owners and abutters on Broadway from Dorchester to N. Market [illegible] and to cause their Sidewalks to be paved with Brick or Flat Stones, according to law, forthwith. May 9. 1853. Broadway.

On the petition of Mann, Mann, Mann & Company for leave to exhibit a Circus Company at [illegible] the Public Garden, for two or three weeks, the Committee on Licenses reported in favor of granting the prayer of the petitioners, provided they pay the sum of $500. and employ the City Police to keep order. Read and accepted.

Remonstrance of J. Higgins & others Franklin Street.
worth and others against the renumbering of Franklin Franklin Street, Street and Place - read and thereupon Alderman Whiting offered the following order - Ordered: That the order passed April 28th for the renumbering of Franklin Street and Franklin Place be so far rescinded as to let the numbers from No. 1. to 24. in Franklin Place remain as they ever have been, and now are, and that the new numbering commence with No. 25. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Whereas, it appears to this Merrimac Board, that certain tenements situated on Merrimac Street. Street, numbered 8-22-30-14-16- and belonging to Robert F. Wiggin- Ezekiel Bates, and J. Rowland Hart are in a state of nuisance, and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, therefore Ordered, That a notice in writing, be given to the said parties that they cause the said nuisance, existing

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on said premises and consisting of foul and stagnant water, and overflowing vaults, to be removed within five days from the date hereof by cleansing said vaults and by constructing a proper drain from said tenements to the sewer in Merrimac Street.

Welch — South Street.

The Board being satisfied that a certain Stable in South Street, being number — on said Street, is not provided with a suitable drain. Therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to Walter Welch of East Cambridge owner thereof, that said owner is hereby required to cause a proper and sufficient drain to be constructed for such stable, to be common and subject to the use of all the Inhabitants thereof, within five days from the date hereof.

Darling — Jail Lands

Petition of George Darling and others in aid of the remonstrance of Nathaniel Hammond and others against the removal of the restrictions on the Old Jail Lands. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands in concurrence.

Common Council — Warrant for Ward meeting.

A message was received from the Common Council announcing a vacancy in that Branch caused by the resignation of Ezra Stevens Hall of Ward No 6. Read, and thereupon Ordered: That a Warrant be issued for a meeting of the legal voters of Ward No 6. to be held at their Ward Room. West Centre Street, on Wednesday the 18th instant at 12 o'clock M. then and there to give in their votes for one member of the Common Council, being an Inhabitant of said City and a resident of said Ward in place of Ezra

Fornstall, resigned. The Bill to be kept open until four o'clock, P.M.

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Ordered: That there be paid to Pratt and Wilkinson the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars for land taken to widen Ann Street, upon their giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Pratt &al. Ann St.

On the petition of Kilby Page and others that Ann Street may be widened near Langdon Place the Committee on Streets reported that said measure is inexpedient. Read and accepted. Page - Ann St.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be instructed to have Exchange Street paved, under the direction of the Committee on Paving, with round stone. Exchange Street

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be and he is hereby directed to cause Province Street, from Province Court to Bromfield Street to be paved. Ballard - Province St.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be instructed to have the sidewalk on School Street, near the Stone Chapel, relaid and charge the same to the Proprietors of the Chapel; - Also to relay the gutters, reset the edgestones and repair the sidewalks throughout School Street, and to place suitable crossing Stones School Street

Mayor & Board of Aldermen and change the same to the appropriation for Paving.

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Whittier Andover Stret. and others. On the petition of Seth Whittier and others. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be and he is hereby directed to cause Andover Street to be paved with round Stones, under the direction of the Committee on Paving.

South Bay lands. The order of this Board dated May 2d authorizing the Committee on Public Lands to report in print to the City Council, was amended in the Common Council by adding thereto as follows, "with instructions to report a detailed estimate of the probable cost of filling the territory owned by the City on the South Bay to a suitable elevation above tide water, including the cost of Docks and Piers, conformably to a plan which they have lately submitted to the City Council. Also to report in detail the probable cost of filling that portion of said territory lying north of Brookline Street extended to the Commissioners line and completing the docks and piers in the same: and what portion of this work or of that upon the whole territory it is expedient to complete at this time and the probable cost thereof. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Jail Lands. The Report of the Committee on Public Lands on the subject of the recent sale of the Old Jail Lands (being City Document № 32) having been re-committed to the Committee on Public Lands with instructions to report what action, if any, is necessary on the part of the City Council. Came up for concurrence. Read & concurred.

Ordered: That the Officers having charge of the arrest of Truant Children, account with the City Treasurer for all fees received by them in the discharge of their duty, and pay the same into the City Treasury at the end of each quarter. May 9, 1853. Truant Officers.

Ordered: That the Southeasterly line of Province Street, adjacent to the estate of John H. Jenks and B. L. Emerson, be hereby determined as follows, viz: Beginning at the Northwesterly corner of the brick building on the Southeasterly corner of School and Province Streets; thence running Southwesterwardly, along the Northwesterly line of the said brick building, and continuing in the same direction for a distance of fifty three feet and one seven hundredth (.07) feet from the said corner; thence more Westwardly, to the Northwesterly corner of the brick building standing on the Southwesterly part of the land of said Jenks and Emerson; and thence more Eastwardly, now and in the direction of the Northwesterly line of the brick building last mentioned, to the Southwestly line of land of said Jenks and Emerson: The above line being shown, and marked a-b-c-d-e, on a plan of Province Street, prepared by C. S. Eastman, City Engineer, and deposited in the office of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen. Province Street.

On the petition of Samuel Leeds and others for leave to set trees in the sidewalks of South Boston, the Committee on Paving reported, that the prayer of the petitioners be granted. Read and accepted Leeds.

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Fanning

On the petition of Richard Fanning for Omnibus Stands in Washington Street, the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Callender - Faneuil Hall.

On the petition of Benjamin Callender and others for the use of Faneuil Hall May 10th wherein to hold a Public meeting to advance the increase of Trade it was voted that the prayer of the petitioners be granted.

Manufacture of Liquors.

The Committee on Licenses, to whom were referred the petitions of John T. Heard and Others appointed Manufacturers of Spirituous and Intoxicating Liquors, under the Act of May 22. 1852 - report, that the prayers of the petitioners ought to be granted, and they accordingly recommend that the following persons be appointed to Manufacture and sell Spirituous and Intoxicating Liquors under the Act of 1852. - John M. Barnard No 16 Adams Street. John Felton, 66 Prince Street. Luther Felton and Son, 6 Head corner of Fifth Street. William E. French, Essex street near South Street. John T. Heard, Ives Street. Henry Howland, Indiana Street. Hull Brothers, No 50 Merrimac Street. J. Hull No corner of Adams and Ives Streets. For the Committee, I. P. Rich, Chairman.

Hickey. - Meagher Rifles.

On the petition of William Hickey and others - Ordered: That the organization of the Military Company, denominated the "Meagher Rifles" as petitioned for by William Hickey and others, be

and the same is hereby approved by this Board. 313.

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The application of Alfred Internal
H. Turner, Ezra Forristall, and Joseph Colburn, severally for Health
the office of Superintendent of the Internal Health Depart-
ment, came up from the Common Council, and having
been read, the Board voted to proceed to a choice of such
officer, and the ballots being taken and counted it ap-
peared that Alfred H. Turner was elected on the part
of this Board thereby non-concurring with the Common
Council in his election. Ezra Forristall was also elected
down for concurrence.

The Annual Accounts of Treasurer's
the City and County Treasurer for the last Financial Year Accounts
were referred to the Committee on the Treasury Department
in concurrence.

The Common Council hav- Inspector
ing elected on its part A. R. Jewksbury as Inspector of Bal- of Ballast.
last &c. said action came up for concurrence, and no bal-
lots having been collected and counted for said office
it appeared that Henry Curtis was chosen on the part of
this Board, thereby non-concurring with the Common Coun-
cil, as above. Sent down for concurrence.

Agreeably to notice Lodge-
Mrs. & Lodge appeared and remonstrated against the Board St.
proposed widening of Bard Street, by taking his land
&c. upon which the said subject was referred
ed to the Committee on Streets with full power.

May 9. 1855. Field & Converse. North Street.

have given notice to this Board of their intention to erect buildings on North Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Field and Converse that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street, and that Monday, the sixteenth day of May instant at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Petition Sheed.

Upon an application to object to the proposed construction of the Common Sewer in Meridian Street, said subject was re-committed to the Committee on Sewers and Drains.

Green & Leverett Sts

No further objections being made to the proposed widening of Green and Leverett Streets, said subject was re-committed to the Committee on laying out and widening Streets, with full power

Swan

On the petition of Samuel Swan that a part of the street in front of the Mayhew School House may be macadamized, the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and laid upon the table.

Adjourned to Monday next, at 4½ o'clock, PM

At a Special meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Thursday the Twenty fifth day of May A.D. 1853.

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Cooper, Gray and Frost.

The Boston Theatre Corporation gave notice of their intention to erect buildings on Mason and Washington Streets. Referred to the Committee on Streets. Boston Theatre.

In Committee on Public Lands, May 11th 1853. Voted: That the Superintendent of Common Sewers is authorized to construct, under the direction of the Sub Committee to whom was referred the application of Jonas Chickering, to purchase land on the Northwest side of Tremont Street, between Northampton and Camden Streets; such Sewers and Drains, as in their opinion may be deemed necessary for the suitable drainage of said land. A true copy. Attest, Stephen Tucker, Sec'y. Read and referred to the Committee on Sewers & Drains. Tremont Street Sewerage.

Petition of George W. Crockett for leave to close up a portion of High Street, near Kneeland Street, for a short period, was read and thereupon, Ordered: That the Chief of Police, under the direction of the Committee on Paving, be authorized to close up, with suitable barriers, the portion of High Street adjacent to the Northwest corner of Pearl Street, where a new building is in course of erection. Crockett. High Street

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Supt. of Streets.

The Mayor having read to the Board a communication from John P. Ober, wherein he declines being a candidate for the office of Superintendent of Streets;- it was ordered, that a message be sent to the Common Council requesting that Branch, if not acting thereon, to return to this Board the papers relating to the election of that officer.

Blackstone & Franklin Squares Fountains

Alderman James offered the following order- Ordered: That the Mayor be authorized to cause all necessary repairs to be made upon the Fountains in Blackstone and Franklin Squares- and that the expense thereof be charged to the appropriation for the Common, Public Squares &c. Read and laid upon the table.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the Sixteenth day of May, A.D. 1853.

Present.

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Alderman Heaper.

Drury-Shawmut Avenue.

Petition of Gardner F. Drury and others, that the City would assist them in the expense of watering a portion of Shawmut Avenue. Referred to the Mayor.

Petition of William Eaton and others that Salem Street be widened, between Carroll Place and Bartlett Place. Referred to the Committee on Streets. — May 16, 1853. Eaton. Salem Street.

On the subject of widening Webb Street at the corner of Richmond Street by taking land of Field and Converse, no objections being made thereto by any party, the subject was re-committed to the Committee on laying out and widening Streets with full power. — Webb Street. Field & Converse.

On the petition of Albert F. Wright, Ordered, that the City Clerk be instructed to notify the owner of the lot of land at the junction of Fourth Street with the Old Road in South Boston, to abate a nuisance by causing the lot, now full of stagnant water to be filled up. — Wright. South Street.

Petition of Willis Howes and others to be compensated for the damage sustained by changing the grade of Old Harbor Street; of the heirs of George Perkman to be compensated for the damage sustained by reason of the change of grade in Church Street, were referred to the Committee on Paving. — Howes. Old Harbor. Perkman. Church St.

Petition of Lewis Endicott & others, that Chelsea Street may be paved between Maverick and Meadow Streets, and that Bremen Street and Havana Street may be paved with granite blocks. Were referred to the Committee on Paving. — Endicott. Pettis. Bremen Street. Havana Street.

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Communication from John L. Hunnewell concerning the grade of the East Boston Streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Hunnewell

Felton.

Petition of John Felton for leave to construct a cellar way to No. 6 Elm Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Standish

Petition of James Standish for leave to move a wooden building from Warren to Albany Streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving with full power.

Jay.

Bailey.

Petition of Harrison Jay & others and others that a Gas Lamp be placed and lighted in the passage leading from Merchants Row to Corn Court; of A. J. Bailey and others that a Gas Lamp be placed in Plymouth Place. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Hunnewell.

Litchfield.

Nason

Hill.

Petition of John L. Hunnewell and others for the continuation of the Saratoga Street Sewer to Marion Street; of Nicholas Litchfield for abatement of assessment for cost of constructing the sewer in Eutaw Street; of John L. Nason and others that a common Sewer may be laid between Sumner and Maverick Streets; of Thomas Hill, Jr. and others that a Sewer may be laid in Fourth Street between Dorchester and G. Streets; were severally referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains.

Warren Street

Chapel.

Petition of the Warren Street Chapel Association for the use of a portion of the Public

Garden on the Fourth of July next. Referred to the Com- 319.
mittee on the Common &c. with full power. May 16 1850.

and others that a nuisance in Athens Street may Athens St.
be abated by the construction of a Sewer in said Street.
Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Ordered: That Aldermen Sound
Gray and James with such as the Common Council may Commission.
join in a Committee to confer with the
City Council a list of candidates to compose the Board of
Public Land Commissioners, as constituted by the provis-
ions of a recent Ordinance in relation to the Public Lands.
Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred May 17th
and Messrs Adams, Plummer, Beal, Tillon and Whittemore
were joined.

The Committee on Common Music
and Public Squares, to whom was referred an Order of
the 25th of April last in relation to Music on the Common
and Copps Hill, during the summer months, have con-
sidered the same, and beg leave respectfully to Report:
That it is expedient that Bands of Music be engaged
to play on the Common, two evenings in each week, in
the months of June July and August. In accordance
therewith the Committee recommend the passage of the
accompanying order. For the Committee, Benjamin Seaver,
Chairman. Ordered: That the Committee on the Common
and Public Squares be instructed to engage a Band of

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Music to play on the Common on two evenings in each week in the months of June, July and August next, the expense thereof not to exceed Twelve hundred dollars, and to be charged to the appropriation for Incidental Expenses and Miscellaneous Claims. Sent down for concurrence.

Armories.

Whereas, by a recent Statute of the Commonwealth, a sum of money not exceeding Three hundred dollars is hereafter to be allowed by the Commonwealth to each Company of Volunteer Militia, towards the rent of an Armory—therefore, Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be and they are hereby authorized to fix such prices for the rents of the various Armories now belonging to the City, as they shall deem expedient, said rent to commence on the first day of June next. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Public Buildings be directed to notify the Companies now occupying rooms in Faneuil Hall as Armories, that they will be required to vacate said rooms on or before the first day of July next. Passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred May 17th

Wilkins. Bumstead Court.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred the petition of Charles Wilkins and others that a street may be opened from Boylston Street through Bumstead Court and Haymarket Place into Avery Street, and the remonstrance of Peter Hobart, Jr. on behalf of the heirs of Henry Bodman, against the same respectfully report. The said petition and remonstrance were presented to the Board of Mayor and

Aldermen, the last Municipal year, and on the recommen- 321.
dation of the Committee on Streets, to whom they were re- May 16, 1853
ferred, it was decided that it was inexpedient to grant
the prayer of the petitioners. There were two grounds for this
action the first was the inconvenience & hindrance
caused on Haymarket Place, which is not a public street,
from which it appeared that they would demand and
perhaps obtain damages, though in the opinion of the Com-
mittee they would not be injured. The second was the
fact, that Piney Street, into which the proposed street would
open, Piney Street, being [illegible] wide enough to admit but
one vehicle at a time; and the proposition of having
another street enter it, where if two carriages met there
would not be sufficient room for them to pass each other,
was a very doubtful experiment. The Committee would
not hesitate to report that it was inexpedient to grant the
prayer of the petitioners the present year for the above named
reason which still exists. But there is now another reason
in the case, the passage between Bumstead Court and
Haymarket Place, which has hitherto been open and con-
siderably used by persons on foot, is about to be closed by the
erection of a Stable. This Stable if suffered to be built,
will be so near the Primary School House as greatly to in-
jure the property of the City; and the passage to the School
House from Boylston Street, already unsuitable and dan-
gerous for small children, will be rendered much more so.
Under these circumstances the Committee think that the
subject belongs more properly to the Committee on Public
Buildings who have already given it some attention. It

322. it is a matter which seems to demand immediate action,
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whose duty it is to attend to it. The Committee would pro-
pose the following order. For the Committee, Sampson Read
Chairman. Ordered: That the Joint Standing Committee
on Public Buildings be requested to consider and report
what measures are expedient in order to protect the interests
of the City in relation to the Primary School House in
Bumstead Court and to secure a safe and suitable
entrance to the same. Read, accepted and the order
passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.
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Pope. Petition of William Pope for
allowance. Referred to the Committee on the Assessors' Department. Sent down for concurrence.
Came up concurred, May 17th

Engineer The resignation of Nath[l] Lane as Assistant Engineer of the Fire Department, was read, accepted and sent down. In Common Council, placed on file.

Licenses. Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses certain persons were licensed as Innholders and as Victuallers as recorded in the book
Willoughby kept for that purpose.) On the petition of Ralph Willoughby for an Innholders license, the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Brown. On the petition of E. I. Brown
Poplar Street. and others that Poplar Street may be paved, Ordered:

that the Superintendent of Streets be directed to have
it filled and to make such changes in the grade
and width of the sidewalks as may be deemed expedient.

May 11 1885.

Whereas, by an order passed
by this Board on the twenty fifth day of April last, it was
declared that the pavement situated on Fourth Street be-
tween B. & C. Streets, and owned by Marcus Byrnes / or
Burns / Laurence Mc Carthy, agent, was in a State of
nuisance, and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants,
and it was then and thereby ordered that notice in
writing be given to said Byrnes to cause the said
nuisance then existing in said premises and consist-
ing of an obstruction drain to be removed within five days
from the day of the date of said order by causing said
obstruction to be removed therefrom: And whereas it
appears that due notice was given to said Byrnes pursu-
ant to said order, and that the said Byrnes has ne-
glected to cause the said nuisance to be removed and
that the same still remains a nuisance as before;
and whereas the said term of five days has expired:
It is therefore Ordered, that the City Clerk be and
he is hereby directed to cause the said nuisance to be
removed forthwith, by causing said obstructions to be re-
moved from said Drain at the expense of the said Byrnes.

Byrnes
Fourth Street.

Frank Chadwick Esqr on
on behalf of the Boston Theatre has given notice to this
Board of his intention to erect buildings on Clarin Street,

Theatre
Clarin Street.

in the said City; and in the opinion of the Board, the

May 16. 1853. safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Road should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Jonathan Preston and the Boston Theatre, that this Board intend to widen the Road before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Road and that Monday, the twenty third day of May instant at four o'clock P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objection which may be made thereto.

Wellington. Whereas Darius Wellington

North Street. has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on North Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Road should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Darius Wellington, that this Board intend to widen the Road before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Road and that Monday, the twenty third day of May instant at four o'clock, P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objection which may be made thereto.

Ordered, That due notice be

Marginal street. given to the owners of the lots abutting on the Street or Way which has been opened over private land by the

owners thereof, called "Marginal Street" from Pearl to 325.
Sumner Street in the City of Boston, to grade the said May 10. 1853.
Street or Way at their own expense forthwith, according
to the provisions of the first Section of an Act of the Legi-
slature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, entitled
"An Act concerning Streets and Ways in the City of
Boston, passed on the twenty sixth day of March, in
the year eighteen hundred and forty five."

On the petition of Eaton Steward, Steward.
for leave to open the National Theatre on Saturday
evening next, the Committee on Licenses reported leave
to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Ordered: That the Com- Green St.
mittee on Lamps be instructed to remove the lamp post lamp post.
at the head of Couch Street, opposite № 23. Green Street,
and cause to be placed a Brackett lamp in place thereof.

Petition of J. Dunham, Jr. Dunham
to leave to build a Sprinkler over Broadway, Third
and Second Streets South Boston. Read & referred
White, Frost and Rich.

Ordered: That the Superin- Fifth
tendent of Streets be and he is hereby authorized and di- Street
rected to grade Fifth Street from A. to B. Streets

On the petition of Charles Greene
G. Greene and others that C. F. Philbrick may be appoint-
ed Superintendent of Carriages in Committee on

326 has reported leave to withdraw, as the office is filled
May 16.1853. now by a very good man. Read and accepted.

Fifth Street. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be and he is hereby directed to lay Granite on Fifth Street, between Land S. Road and to charge the expense thereof to such abuttors as have not complied with the order of this Board dated April 4th 1853.

Bradley &c. On the petition of Benjamin Bradley &c. for leave to erect a Steam Engine on their premises, the Committee on Steam Engines reported leave to withdraw. Read & accepted.

Universalist Societies Faneuil Hall. On the petition of the Committee of the Universalist Societies for the use of Faneuil Hall on the 26th of May instant the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board, reported that the prayer of the petitioners be granted. Read and accepted.

Public Scales. Ordered: That John Faulkner and others be authorized to place a Platform Scale at the junction of Turnpike and Foundry Streets, at their own expense and that the same be done under the supervision of the Committee on Paving.

Vide "Johnson" aug. 15. 1864

Fremont Street. The Committee on Sewers & Drains to whom was referred a vote of the Committee on Public Lands, dated May 11th 1853, respecting the drainage of Fremont Street, between Northampton & Camden

Streets, reported in favor of the approval of the Same. 327.
Read and accepted. May 16. 1853.

Ordered; That the Com- Urinals.
mittee on Paving, with the Committee on Internal Health,
be instructed to inquire into the expediency of hav-
ing urinal accommodations placed in the business
portion of the City.

On the remonstrance of Lodge-
John E. Lodge against the widening of Broad Street, Broad Street.
the Committee on laying out and widening Streets report-
ed leave to withdraw. Read accepted.

Resolved, That the Safety Lodge-
and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require Broad Street
that Broad Street should be widened and for that pur-
pose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public
Street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging
to John E. Lodge bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at
an outward corner of the said premises at the west-
erly corner of Broad and Batterymarch Streets; thence
running Northwestwardly, by Broad Street, twenty one
feet and eighty five hundredths of a foot; thence South-
westwardly, by land of Samuel Sanford, sixteen Hun-
dredths of a foot; thence Southeastwardly, along the
proposed line of widening of Broad Street, twenty one
feet and thirty hundredths of a foot; and thence North-
eastwardly, by Batterymarch Street, one foot twenty
three hundredths of a foot, to the point of beginning; con
taining thirteen Square feet, and ninety four Hun-

328. deaths of a Square foot, more or less. And Whereas due
May 16. 1853. notice has been given of the intention of this Board to
take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as
appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore
Ordered. That the parcel of land before described be, and
the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public Street
or way of the said City, according to a plan of the said
widening made by E. F. Cheesbrough dated May 16th 1853. and
deposited in the office of the said Mayor and Aldermen.
And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widen-
ing the said Broad Street, as aforesaid, will amount to
two hundred dollars: which Sum together with the
amount of estimates of previous alterations or discon-
tinuances in said Street, during the present municipal
year, does not exceed the Sum of five thousand dollars.

Judge- Whereas this Board by a
Broad Street. Resolve passed this day took a certain parcel of land,
therein described, lying on Broad Street, and laid out
the same as a public Street or way of said City, it is
therefor Ordered, That due notice be given to John C.
Hodge and all other persons interested as owners, pro-
prietors, tenants, occupants, or otherwise, in said land
that they cut off, pull down, remove and carry away
all buildings, erections and obstructions of every sort
standing on and projecting over the line of said Broad
Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, or, more
and set back the same to the said line, and vacate and
surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid on or

or the first day of June now next ensuing. And in default thereof, the Chief of Police is hereby directed and empowered forthwith to enter upon said land and cause the building, erections and obstruction standing on and projecting into the line and road so established by the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down, removed and carried away, or to be moved and set back to said line, and the said land to be recovered and surrendered under the direction of the Committee on laying out and widening Streets.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that North Street should be widened and for that purpose that it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to said Exercise bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the easterly corner of the said premises, at the westerly corner of Main and Richmond Streets: thence running Southwestwardly, by North Street thirty seven feet and seventy hundredths of a foot: thence Northwestwardly, by land of Gurney and Cooper, three feet and thirty nine hundredths of a foot: thence Northeastwardly, along the proposed line of widening of North Street, thirty nine feet and seventy one hundredths of a foot, and thence Southeastwardly, by Richmond Street, eight feet & eighty six hundredths of a foot, to the point of beginning: containing two hundred and thirty square feet and sixty four hundredths of a square foot, more or less. And

North Street. Petition. Hearing. Order. Notice. Converse.

No Proof that notice has been given of the intention of [illegible] Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed. It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public Street or way of the said City — according to a plan of the said widening made by E.S. Chesbrough dated May 16th 1853. and deposited in the Office of the said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said North Street, as aforesaid, will amount to Nine hundred and twenty dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said Street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars.

Field & Converse — North Street.

Whereas this Board by a Resolve passed this day took a certain parcel of land, therein described, lying on North Street and laid out the same as a public Street or way of said City, it is therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to Field and Converse and all other persons interested as owners, proprietors, tenants, occupants, or otherwise, in said land that they cut off, pull down, remove and carry away all buildings, erections and obstructions of every sort standing on and projecting over the line of said North Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, or, move and set back the same to the said line, and vacate and surrender the land and premises taken as

aforesaid on or before the first day of June now next en- 331
suing. And in default thereof, the Chief of Police is ready. Nov 10, 033
directed and empowered forthwith to enter upon said
land and cause all buildings, sections and obstruc-
tions standing on and projecting over the line of said
North Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, to
be cut off, pulled down, removed and carried away, so to
be moved and set back to said line and the said
land to be vacated and surrendered under the direc-
tion of the Committee on widening and
Streets.

Voted, That the safety London
and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require Street -
that London Street should be extended and for said Resolve
purpose it is necessary to take, and may and do take
public Street or way of the said City, a parcel of land
belonging to the Boston and Worcester Rail Road Cor-
poration - bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the
Southeasterly corner of the said premises, at a point
on the Northerly line of Indiana Place, distant thirty
three hundredths of a foot Westerly from the point where
the dividing line between land of said Corporation and
land of Silvia Evans [illegible] said Northerly line runs
running Northwardly, along, and in the direction of
the Westerly line of the brick wall of said Deane's house,
sixty feet and thirty seven hundredths of a foot; thence
Westwardly, along the Northerly line of land of said
Corporation, nineteen feet and eighty one hundredths
of a foot; thence Southwardly, by other land of said Cor-

332 portion, sixty two feet and eighty five Hundredths of
May 16. 1853 a foot; and thence Eastwardly, by Indiana Place nine-
teen feet and sixty seven Hundredths of a foot, to the
point of beginning containing one Thousand two Hundred
and eleven square feet and eighty seven Hundredths
of a square feet, more or less. And Whereas, due notice
has been given of the intention of this Board to take the
said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears
by the return hereunto annexed. It is therefore Ordered,
That the parcel of land before described be, and the same
hereby is, taken and laid out as a public Street or way
of the said City - according to a plan of the said extension
made by E. S. Chesbrough dated May 16th 1853 and de-
posited in the office of the said Mayor and Aldermen.
And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of
laying the said London Street as aforesaid will
amount to five hundred dollars: which sum together
with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or
discontinuances in said Street during the present
municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thou-
sand dollars.

London Street - Worcester Rail Road

Whereas this Board by a
Resolve passed this day took a certain parcel of
land, therein described, lying on London Street and
laid out the same as a public Street or way of said
City of Roxbury Ordered That due notice be given to
the Boston & Worcester Railroad Corporation and all other
persons interested as owners, proprietors, tenants, occupants,
or otherwise, in said land that they cut off, pull down,

remove and carry away all buildings, erections and ob= structions of every sort standing on and projecting over the line of said London Road, as established by the Re= solve aforesaid, or, move and set back the same to the said line, and vacate and surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid on or before the first day of June now next ensuing. And in default thereof, the Chief of Police is hereby directed and empowered forthwith to enter upon said land and cause all buildings, erections and obstructions standing on and projecting over the line of said London Road, as established by the Resolve afore= said, to be cut off, pulled down, removed and carried away or to be moved and set back to said line, and the said land to be vacated and surrendered under the direction of the Committee on laying out and widening Streets.

Franklin St. & Franklin Place – Wigglesworth

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred the remonstrance of Thomas Bigelow and others against the numbering of Franklin Place, ask leave to Report: The remonstrants propose that the numbers should commence from Federal Road instead of Washington Street, and represent that there would then be no change required in the numbers on Franklin Place. The Committee find that there are objections to this arrangement. In the first place there are one or more buildings which in this way would have no numbers at all. In the second place this plan makes no provision for the prospective changes in the Place, and would in all probability become still more

objective in a short time as new buildings are erected.

May 10. 1853. In the third place, it reverses the order of numbering adopted in all streets which intersect Washington Street, it being the uniform custom to have the numbers commence from that Street, and is on this account objectionable. But it is perhaps unnecessary to consider the expediency of adopting the proposed plan, as in consequence of the delay produced by the remonstrants, it is now too late to renumber the Street and Place in season for the Directory for the ensuing year. In the last municipal year there were several petitions from residents on particular Streets to have their streets renumbered, and also a formal petition emanating from the Boston Provident Association setting forth the great inconvenience arising from the irregular numbers of our Streets, and requesting the action of the Board of Mayor & Aldermen in relation to it. The Committee on Streets, to whom these petitions were referred, after consulting Mr. George Adams, who from his long experience in compiling the Directory is perfectly familiar with the subject, offered an order for the renumbering of fifty of those Streets, where the irregularity was the greatest. This order has been successfully carried into effect, though not without more or less opposition from those who were adverse to a change of their numbers. The attention of the Committee was called to the irregularity in the numbers of Franklin Street and Franklin Place, by one of the oldest and most respectable residents in that part of the City, who represented that he suffered great inconvenience in consequence

of it, and your Committee feel perfectly assured that any 335.
intelligent disinterested person, who should examine the May 16. 1853.
present numbers of that Street and Place, and compare
them with the proposed new numbers, would decide with-
out the least hesitation that the public convenience and
particularly the convenience of those who are more imme-
diately interested, would be greatly promoted by the change.
Under these circumstances the Committee cannot but regret
that individuals were allowed their private feelings to
interfere with a public improvement, so far at least, as
to cause its delay for another year. It is obvious that
the renumbering of Streets is one of those things which
could not well be done by concert among the individual
residents. Any considerable change would be likely to
meet with opposition from some quarter. The feelings of
individuals should always be treated with respect and
tenderness, but unless the public good and convenience
are to be paramount to private wishes or prejudices, or to
private interests even, there must be and be able improve-
ments in this direction. The remonstrants say that they
have reason to believe that there are rights of property
attached to the aforesaid twenty four houses to which prop-
erty the dwellers in Franklin Street have no claim". The
Committee do not understand how any rights of the proper-
ties can possibly be jeopardized by the proposed change in
the numbers especially as there is no proposition to alter
or discontinue the name of the place. The Committee
would here take leave of the matter with the recom-
mendation that the Board take no further action on the

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subject, and in the hope that the remonstrants may find before another year, that their apprehensions are groundless and may add their wishes to those of their neighbors for an improvement which the public convenience appears to demand. For the Committee. Sampson Reed, Chairman. Read, accepted and ordered to be printed.

Copps Hill.

On nomination by the Mayor, Silas Trull was appointed keeper of Copps Hill Cemetery from the first of June next and he was also appointed a Special Police Officer for that vicinity.

Alexander.

Petition of H. A. Alexander and fifty others firemen of East Boston for an increase of pay. Came up from the Common Council; read and placed on file.

Watch and Police.

Alderman Rich called up from the table the Ordinance providing for the organization of the Police Department of Boston and sundry amendments having been made thereto the Ordinance was re-laid upon the table.

Public buildings Contracts

Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances consider the expediency of reporting an Ordinance [illegible] Public Buildings, so that the City Council may, when occasion requires and without making a special ordinance for [illegible] to cause work to be done without advertising for proposals as by the present ordinance they are bound to do. Laid

in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Common Council Chamber.

The Committee on Public Buildings, who were authorized by the order of the City Council of February 24th last to make such alterations in the Common Council Chamber in the City Hall accommodation of Strangers & members and reporters & City Officers as they might see fit; and to whom have since been referred several petitions and drafts of orders upon the same subjects; respectfully Report: The Committee have given their careful attention to the duty assigned them, and have made such arrangements as, in their best judgement, are calculated to effect the purposes of the said order. It must be apparent, and is due regard to the dignity of the City and the proper courtesy to be shown to Strangers and others to whom it may be desirable to extend civilities, require, that suitable accommodations and convenient seats should be assigned to such persons in the neighborhood of the chair. The Committee have accordingly provided for them such seats as appeared most eligible and fit. In making this arrangement, it was found indispensable to make use of the part of the Council Chamber which had recently been occupied by the reporters for the various daily papers. The Committee are confident however that sufficient provision has been made for their accommodation, in the seats which have been prepared in another part of the Chamber. Those seats are now sufficient for twelve reporters, and can be enlarged as the number of reporters may increase. Some objection has been made

538. to the arrangement however, and principally on the ground
May 16. 1853 that the reporters cannot hear distinctly what is said,
and cannot have access to the documents. The first
objection the Committee do not consider well founded,
as the reporters are nearer the members of the board than
the body of those citizens who occasionly attend the
sessions, and who find no difficulty in hearing the de-
bates; and certainly as near as the reporters to the Legis-
lature. [illegible] the Committee do not imagine that any
great public benefit can be subserved, by reporting the
debates of the Council, so long as the actual proceedings &
votes are duly published; Nor that any member is so am-
bitious of seeing his speeches in print, as, for that end, to
encroach upon the room of the Council Chamber which is
required for the other purposes. In regard to the second
objection, it is sufficient to say, that it would be obviously
improper and indecorous [illegible] to let persons
see documents, until the Clerk has made the proper minutes
thereon; and when he has done so, the Messenger will as
readily and cheerfully hand them to reporters for their
use, as if they sat nearer the Clerk's desk. In the upper
branch of the City Council, the Committee are informed,
the reporters have not usually come at all into the same
room with the board, but have examined in an ante
room, where the Messenger has brought them, the necessary
papers. No inconvenience, so far as the Committee are aware,
has ever resulted from this course in the other Board; and
they cannot perceive that the reporters have the slight-
est shadow of foundation for complaint at the arrange-

made which have been adopted here. It is very certain that the seats in each side of the chair cannot be appropriated to the use of reporters, consistently with the convenience of the Common Council, or with the courtesy due to strangers and visitors. The arrangement in the rear of the Council Chamber, for a body of reporters already amounting to twelve or more, and liable to increase in number, would be manifestly improper and incommodious. The Committee think that the present arrangement is entirely unobjectionable, and that no reason has been shown for changing it. A suggestion, however, has been made to them, which they merely state to the City Council without recommending any action thereon. It is this; as the main object of a report of the proceedings, is to keep the citizens informed of what is done in the Council, a report might be made out at each session, either by the clerk, or by one or more reporters employed by the Council, which report might be furnished to some one paper, on condition that it should be furnished to all the other papers in season for publication. In consideration of the work for his additional trouble, or that of a reporter or reporters employed for the purpose, would it not be suggested, be inconvenient and difficult on the ground, as on sufficient accommodations and want of room would be effectually removed. The Committee do not, however, recommend any action at present, believing the present arrangement to be all that is desirable. They therefore respectfully request to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject. William F. Goodwin for the Committee. Accept-

ed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

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Public Lands Superintendent.

The ballots having been taken and counted for a Superintendent of Public Lands, it appeared that Stephen Tucker was elected in concurrence.

Superintendent of Streets.

Agreeably to the request of this Board the papers relating to the election of a Superintendent of Streets were duly returned from the Common Council. Notice of the election of Alfred T. Turner, as Superintendent of Streets came up from the Common Council and the ballots having been taken and counted, it appeared that Alfred T. Turner was elected Superintendent of Streets in concurrence.

Internal Health Superintendent.

The ballots being again taken for a Superintendent of Internal Health, it appeared that Ezra Forristall was elected in concurrence with the Common Council.

Amee Jail Yards.

A communication from J. L. C. Amee relative to his management of the Jail Yards, so called, was received from the Common Council, having been by that branch referred to the Committee on Public Lands. Laid on the Table.

Restieaux.

Communication from Thomas Restieaux declining to be again a candidate for election as an Overseer of the House of Correction. Came up from the Common Council. Read and placed on file.

The following order Ordered: That a small Square, for the May 16. 1853.
safety of foot passengers, be laid out and made at the Pleasant
junction of Pleasant, Charles and Boylston Streets, accord= street
ing to a plan of the same by the City Engineer dated Square.
May 16. 1853. and deposited in the office of the Board
of Mayor and Aldermen. Read and laid upon the table.

Agreeably to assignment Lumber
the Board proceeded by ballot to the choice of a Surveyor Sur: Gen.
General of Lumber, and the ballots being taken & counted
it appeared that the whole number was 8. Necessary for
a choice. 5. Charles Leighton had 5. Daniel Bullard
2. Osgood Eaton 1. Joseph H. Hunkes 1. no choice. After a
second ballot had been taken, with a like result, the sub=
ject was laid upon the table, a previous motion to post=
pone indefinitely, having been lost.

Alderman Frost submit= Lumber
ted to the Board a new Ordinance in relation to the Ordinance.
Survey of Lumber which was laid upon the table and
ordered to be printed.

The annual order estab= Salaries.
lishing the Salaries of the city and county Officers for
the present year being City Document. Was taken up
from the Common Council. Laid on the table.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Friday the Twentieth day of May A.D. 1853.

Present,

The Mayor, Aldermen Reed, Rich, James, and White.

Memorial of John B. Fitzpatrick and another concerning the purchase of the Jail Lands between Fennell and Wall Sts. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Public Lands with instructions to report what action it is expedient for the City Council to take in the premises. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Memorial of Rufus Choate and others in favor of the restrictions on the Jail Lands being removed as prayed for by John B. Fitzpatrick and another. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Public Lands with instructions to report what action it is expedient for the City Council to take in the premises. Came up for concurrence. Read & concurred.

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Lands be requested to submit at the next meeting of this Common Council any letter they may have in their possession upon the subject of the Old Jail Lands from Revd Mr. McElroy. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Whereas it appears that there is no prescribed system by which claims and demands under the charge of the Departments of Inland Parks, Paving and Repair of Streets Public Building &c are to be collected and paid into the Treasury, therefore, Ordered, that the Committee on Ordinances consider the expediency of making provisions therefor, and report by Ordinance or otherwise at their earliest convenience. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and laid upon the table. May 20. 1853. Claims &c collection of

The Bond of Alfred T. Turner Superintendent of Streets was approved by the Board. Supt Streets Bond of

Location of the Eastern Rail Road Company and the Grand Junction Rail Road & Grand Eastern

Junction

The Act of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Chap. 306 approved May 21st 1852. - Rail Road location

commencing at the North corner of Market and Friend Streets in the City of Boston, thence Southerly by the east line of Friend Street to the south line of Causeway Street, thence at right angles [illegible] Street two degrees west to the line of Suffolk County, thence turning at right angles easterly eighty two & one half [illegible] thence at right angles [illegible] and in such direction as may be directed [illegible] to the south line of Causeway Street, thence on said line of the South line of Causeway Street to the west line of Canal Street, thence Southerly by said west line to the

544. north line of Market Street, thence by said north line
to the place of beginning. Taking for said loca-
tion the area within the above described lines. For the
Grand Junction Rail Road & Depot Comp'y. Sam'l S. Lewis Presi-
dent. Hb' Thorndike Sec'y B. & L. Rail Road, Micajah Hunt, Director
Eas'n Rail R'd Boston May 20. 1853. Wm P. Parrott, Engineer.
The afore described location of the Eastern and Grand Junc-
tion Rail Roads in Suffolk County under Act of May 21st 1852
chap. 306 with a plan of the same was both filed this day.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'Clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board
of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at
City Hall on Monday the Twenty third day of May A.D. 1853.

Present

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen
Seger and Bailey.

Stevens — Petition of N. G. Stevens and
others that the City would aid them in the expense of wa-
tering Brookline Street. Referred to the Mayor.

Adams. — Petition of Martin Adams
Farnum. and others that a common Sewer may be laid in
Liverpool & Liverpool Street (East Boston) of Charles S. Farnum and
Sudbury Sts: others that a new Sewer may be laid from the corner

of Building and Second Street running west to Grand St
to the Committee on Sewers & Drains. Jan 23, 1853

Communication from Stamford
Superintendent of Sewers respecting a revision of the assess- Street
ment laid for the construction of the Stamford Street Sewer
Referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains

Petition of A. C. Sullivan & others
and others for the extension of Second Street to Lick Bridge. Second
Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Remonstrance of Moses Williams
Wentworth and others against the proposed widening of Chau-Fourteenth
-mont Road, & payment for of Sidewalk Adams and others. Road
Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of Lawrence Nichols, Block
Nichols and others that Bolling Street may be accepted & Bolling St:
and of James Block and others that Block Perkins Street may Perkins
be laid out and accepted. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Street

Communication from the Perkins
Perkins Institution for the Blind concerning the Sidewalks Institution.
in front of their estate. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of James Daily and Daily
of Alfred A. Hall, each to be compensated for the damage Hall.
sustained by them in consequence of the change made
in Church Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

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May 23. 1853. Petition of Caleb Curtis and others that an additional Inspector of ballast may be appointed by the City - read and laid upon the Table.

Curtis

Internal Health

The Bond of Ezra Tourtellot, Superintendent of Internal Health, was approved by the Board.

Tourtellot

Constitutional Convention

Notice from the Constitutional Convention now in session in this City, of the existence of two vacancies in that body, caused by the resignation of two of the Delegates chosen from this City - together with a request that the Mayor and Aldermen would cause said vacancies to be filled in the manner therein set forth; - were read and laid upon the table.

Shields Artillery

Petition of the Shields Artillery that the City would approve of the Armory selected by them in Congress Square. Referred to the committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board.

Pierce

Bremen St.

Petition of George A. Pierce & others for the abatement of a nuisance in Bremen Street. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Metropolitan Serenaders

Petition of the Metropolitan Serenaders for leave to give a series of Concerts at the Music Hall. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

for leave to construct a causeway to No. 6 Elm Street, the day to which committee on Paving reported in favor of granting the prayer of the petitioner, on condition, that said causeway shall never be used as a common entrance. Read and accepted. Felton - Elm Street.

Thomas Knowles was appointed an Auctioneer for East Boston. Auctioneer

The Committee on Paving, to whom was referred the subject of the grade of Trilling and Albion Streets near Faircloth & Parmelee estate, reported that no further action is required thereon. Read and accepted. Faircloth & Parmelee.

The Board having been taken and counted for eleven Directors of the Houses of Industry & Reformation it appeared that Messrs. Thomas P. Rich, Paul Adams, Thomas Hollis, Samuel Reeds, Alfred A. Wellington, William Gail, John Flint, Nathaniel Bowditch, John Gourlin, David Kimball, and John M. Wright were elected. Sent down for concurrence. Directors.

Ordered, That there be paid to Benjamin Bussey's heirs the sum of Four Hundred and Fifty nine Dollars & Cents taken & rented Nine Feet, upon their giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening Streets. Bussey's heirs.

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May 23. 1853. French. Milk Street.

Ordered, That there be paid to Hiram French the sum of One thousand and six hundred Dollars for land taken to widen Milk Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening Streets.

Eaton. Border Street.

Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next at 4 oclock, P.M. take into consideration the expediency of constructing a Common Sewer in Border Street, from Symmes Street to Merrick Street, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who by any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Hall. Fourth Street.

Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will on Monday next, at four oclock. P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a Common Sewer in Fourth Street from Dorchester Street to G. Street and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who by any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Ordered, That due notice Sew.
is given that this Board will, on Monday next, at May 23. 1853.
four o'clock, P.M. take into consideration the expediency Hunnewell
of extending the Common Sewer in Saratoga Street, Saratoga St.
and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons who
may enter their particular Drains into such Common
Sewer, or who by any more remote means shall re=
ceive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections
thereto, will then and there be heard.

Ordered, That there be paid J. Hoffman.
to Lucy A. Hoffman the sum of Fifty dollars for damages
sustained by widening Huntington Road, and the taking
of land therefor, upon her giving to the City an acquittance
and discharge for all damages costs and expenses in
consequence of said taking; and that the same be
charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims
for laying out and widening Streets.

Whereas, it appears to this Ben. Reeds
Board that Benjamin Reeds is now erecting a build= encroach
ing the front of which encroaches upon the street and
line of Exchange Street - it is Hereby Ordered: That the
Chief of Police give notice to the said Benjamin Reeds
that the said building be set back upon the proper line
of said Exchange Street within fourteen days from this
date - and in default thereof the said Chief of Police is
hereby authorized and empowered to remove all obstructions
which shall be then standing on the same; and demand the

May 23. 1853. Welch. Notice to remove Nuisance

Whereas, by an order passed by this Board on the ninth day of May last, it was declared that the Stable situated at No. 60 South Street and occupied by Walter Welch & said Cambridge Ward is in a State of nuisance, and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, and it was then and there ordered that notice in writing be given to said Welch to cause the said nuisance then existing in said premises and consisting of foul and stagnant water to be removed within five days from the day of the date of said order by causing a proper & sufficient drain to be constructed for said Stable: And whereas it appears that due notice was given to said Welch pursuant to said order, and that the said Welch has neglected to cause the said nuisance to be removed, and that the same still remains a nuisance as before; and whereas the said term of five days has expired: it is therefore, Ordered, That the Chief of Police be and he is hereby directed to cause the said nuisance to be removed forthwith, by causing a proper and sufficient drain to be constructed in such place at the expense of the said Welch, occupant as aforesaid.

Fourth Street. Adams. Dunbar Wf. Whereas, it appears to this Board, that a certain lot of land situated on Fourth Street, at the junction of the "Old Road" and belonging to Benjamin Adams, and to Peter Dunbar Wf. is in a State of nuisance, and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, therefore Ordered, That a notice in writing, be given to the said Adams, and Dunbar Wf. that they cause the

said nuisance, existing on said premises and consisting
of foul and stagnant water to be removed within five
days from the date hereof, by filling up the same with
good coarse gravel or sand so that the same may be prop-
erly drained. May 23. 1853.

The Board being satisfied Gould
that a certain tenement on Sumner Place, is not Sumner
provided with a suitable privy or vault. Therefore Ordered, Place.
That due notice be given to Thomas Gould owner thereof,
that said owner is hereby required to cause a proper
and sufficient vault to be constructed for such tenement,
which shall be two feet from the line of the adjoining
lots, within five days from the date hereof.

The Common Council hav- House of
ing elected as Overseers of the House of Correction, Ben- Correction.
jamin James, Joshua Jenkins, James Clark, Francis C. Overseers.
Denning, William H. Foster, Dudley S. Denning, Ben-
jamin Smith, Benjamin Bird, and Benjamin L. Men-
said action came up for concurrence: and the ballots
having been taken and counted, it appeared that the
foregoing persons were duly chosen in concurrence, with
the exception of Joshua Jenkins, in whose stead this
Board elected Thacher Beal. Sent down for concurrence.
Came up concurred May 26.

The ballots having been taken Weigher of
and counted for a Weigher of Coal and Lumber it Coal &
appeared that Edward Loring was elected in concur- Lumber.
rence with the Common Council.

May 25. 1853. Auditor of Accounts.

The ballots being taken & counted for an Auditor of Accounts, it appeared that Elisha Copeland was chosen on the part of this Board. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred May 26.

Physicians Consulting

The ballots being taken and counted for Consulting Physicians it appeared that John C. Warren, George Hayward, George C. Shattuck, Jacob Bigelow Zabdiel S. Adams were elected. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, May 26.

Port Physician.

The ballots having been taken and counted for a Port Physician, it appeared that John M. Moriarty was elected on the part of this Board. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred May 26.

City Physician

The ballots being taken and counted for a City Physician, it appeared that Henry G. Clark was elected on the part of this Board. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred May 26.

Messenger.

The ballots having been taken and counted for a City Messenger it appeared that Oliver H. Spur was elected on the part of this Board. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. May 26.

Weather Schools

Communication from the Secretary of the Joint Committee [illegible] on order of this Board dated the 17th instant and proposing alterations in

the Mather School House together with a Majority, and 353.
a Minority report of a Sub Committee of said Board. May 23. 1853.
Read in Common Council with the accompanying
documents to the Committee on Public Buildings. Came
up for concurrence. Read and concured.

Communication from the Co= Water
habitate Water Board requesting the approval by this Board.
Board of a certain Bond to Wilson of Brighton and Bonds &c
an agreement with Daniel Leland of Sherburne, which
instruments related severally to the conveyance of land
adjoining the Aqueduct were read, and said documents
were approved by the Board.

Resolved, That the Safety & Sewall
convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that
Sewall Street should be widened and for that purpose Street.
it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public Street French.
or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to
the Catholic Church bounded as follows, viz: Begin
ning at the Southwesterly corner of the said premises,
at the Northwesterly corner of Green and Sewall Streets
thence running Northwardly, by Sewall Street, eighty
four feet and eighty three hundredths of a foot: thence
Westwardly, by land of Henry Farnum (to the Southeast-
erly corner of the brick house thereon) three feet and
eight hundredths of a foot; thence Southwardly, along
the proposed line of widening of Sewall Street eighty
five feet and four hundredths of a foot and thence East-
wardly, by Green Street, four feet and ninety five hun=

[illegible] south [illegible] to the point of beginning; containing
May 23. 1853. [illegible] hundred and forty seven feet and seventeen
hundredths of a square foot, more or less. And Whereas,
due notice has been given of the intention of this Board
to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid,
as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is there-
fore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described
be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as
a public street or way of the said City, according to a
plan of the said widening made by E. I. Chesbrough
dated May 16. 1853. and deposited in the office of the
said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board doth ad-
judge that the expense of widening the said Fennett
Street, as aforesaid, will amount to Thirteen hundred
and sixty dollars: which sum together with the
amount of estimates of previous alterations or discon-
tinuances in said Street, during the present munici-
pal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand
dollars.

Green St. Resolved, That the safety &
[illegible] convenience of the inhabitants of the City require that
Green Street should be widened and for that purpose
it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street
or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging
to Mrs Catherine Kench bounded as follows, viz: Be-
ginning at the [illegible] corner of the said prem-
ises, at the point where the proposed line of widening
Fennell Street meets the Northerly line of Green Street,
thence running Westwardly by Green Street twenty feet

and fifteen hundredths of a foot; thence Northwardly, 355.
on land of Asa Wilbur, two feet and thirty five hundredths May 23. 1853.
of a foot, thence Eastwardly, along the proposed line of widen
ing of Green Street, seventy feet and twenty five hundredths
of a foot and thence Southwardly along the said proposed
line of widening of Jarrett Street, one foot and ninety
five hundredths of a foot, to the point of beginning; con=
taining one hundred and fifty one square feet and
two hundredths of a square foot, more or less. And Where=
as due notice has been given of the intention of this
Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose
aforesaid as appears by the return indorsed
thereon duly proved, And the parcel of land herein
described is, and hereby is taken and laid
out as a public Street or way of the said City according
to a plan of the said widening made by C. S. Chis=
holm dated May 16. 1853 and deposited in the office
of the said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board
doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said
Green Street, as aforesaid, will amount to Six hundred
dollars: which Sum together with the amount of es=
timated of previous alienation will continue the
said Street, during the present municipal year, does
not, exceed the Sum of five thousand dollars.

Whereas this Board by a Order Laid
Resolution passed this day has taken a certain parcel Green &
of land, therein described, lying on Green and Jarrett Jarrett
Streets and laid out the same as a public Road or way Streets

356 a said city, it is therefore Ordered, That due notice be
May 23 1883 given to Mrs Catherine French, Joseph Hale and all other
persons interested as owners, proprietors, tenants, occupants,
or otherwise, in said land that they cut off, pull down,
remove and carry away all buildings, erections and
obstructions of every sort standing on and projecting
over the line of said Green and Fennell Streets, as es-
tablished by the Resolve aforesaid, or, move and set
back the same to the said line, and vacate and
surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid,
on or before the first day of June now next ensuing. And
in default thereof, the Chief of Police is hereby directed
and empowered forthwith to enter upon said land and
cause all buildings, erections and obstructions standing
on and projecting over the line of said Streets, as es-
tablished by the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled
down, removed and carried away, or to be moved
and set back to said line, and the said land to be
vacated and surrendered under the direction of the
committee on laying out and widening Streets.

Mason Street. No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Mason Street by taking the land of the Boston Theatre Corporation, said subject was re-committed to the Committee on laying out and widening Streets, with full power.

North Street No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of North Street, by taking land of Darius Wellington, said subject was recommitted

to the Committee on laying out and widening Streets, with full power.

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Ordered: That the Act of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, passed May 23, 1853, entitled "An Act respecting the Watch and Police of the City of Boston" be and the same is hereby accepted and approved by the City Council. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. May 26.

Watch & Police.

On motion of Alderman Frost, the Ordinance in relation to the Survey of Lumber was taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Ordinances. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. May 26th

Lumber

On motion of Alderman Rich, the vote whereby the Board refused to grant a license to Ralph Willoughby was reconsidered and a Victualers license was allowed him

Willoughby

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses Sundry persons were licensed as Innholders and Victuallers, as recorded in the books kept for that purpose.

Licenses

Wiggin and Garland were licensed to exhibit at Amory Hall a Diorama of the Battle of Bunker Hill, on the usual regulations.

Wiggin & Garland

Communication from the City Solicitor concerning the alleged encroachment of Thomas Richardson upon land belonging to the City, was

358 | and and the whole subject was referred to the Committee
May 25 1853 | on Public Lands & Sent down for concurrence.

Dunham | On the petition of Josiah Dunham, praying leave to build a Shed across Broadway and Second Streets, the Special Committee to whom that subject was referred, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Claims collection of | The preamble and order of the Common Council relative to the collection of claims &c in the Internal Health and other Departments of the City, which was laid on the table May 20th was taken therefrom and adopted in concurrence.

Church Street Widening | Ordered: That the Committee on laying out and widening Streets be authorized to purchase the stable on Church Street belonging to Jonas Smith and Sea Lunsford, at an expense not exceeding Nine thousand five hundred dollars ($9500) said sum to be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Ordered: That said Committee, after such purchase has been completed, be and they are hereby authorized to sell at Public Auction, & convey such portion of the said stable and the materials thereon, as shall not be needed for the purpose of widening said Church Street, the proceeds of such sale to be credited to said appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Sent down for concurrence. (See page 395.)

council appropriating the sum of Six dollars for each Pri- May 23. 1853.
mary School to purchase Books &c. came up for concur- Primary Schools.
rence. Read and laid upon the table.

The Joint Special Committee, consis-
ting were instructed to consider and report what Salaries
should be allowed the several City and County Officers
their Services during the ensuing year, have attended to
that duty, and ask leave to report the following order. For
the Committee, J. P. Rich, Chairman. An Order, establishing the
Salaries of the Officers of the City of Boston, and County of
Suffolk, for the year 1853-4. Ordered, By the Mayor and
Aldermen and Common Council of the City of Boston,
in City Council assembled, as follows: The Salaries of
the several City and County Officers, for the year begin-
ning on the first day of April, one thousand eight hun-
dred and fifty three, and ending on the thirty first day
of March, one thousand eight hundred and fifty four,
shall be as herein mentioned, to be paid quarter-yearly,
unless herein otherwise ordered. Section 1. The Salary
of the Mayor shall be at the rate of Four thousand dol-
lars per annum. Sect. 2. The Salary of the City Solicitor
shall be at the rate of Twenty six hundred dollars per
annum, and he shall be allowed the sum of Two hun-
dred dollars per annum for clerk hire. Sect. 3. The Salary
of the City Treasurer shall be at the rate of Three thou-
sand dollars per annum, for performing the duties a-
bove and County Treasurer and Treasurer and Re-

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shall be allowed him the sum of Thirty eight hundred dollars per annum, to be paid his clerks; and he shall be allowed the further sum of Eleven hundred dollars to be paid to a clerk, for services for the care of the Water Accounts; and he shall account for all fees, moneys, and commissions which he shall receive in said capacity. Sect. 4. The Salary of the Auditor of Accounts shall be at the rate of Twenty five hundred dollars per annum; and he shall be allowed the sum of Nine hundred dollars per annum to pay for a permanent clerk; and he shall account for all sums of money received by him in the said capacity. Sect. 5. The Salary of the City Clerk shall be at the rate of Fifteen hundred dollars per annum; and he shall be allowed the further sum of Twenty five hundred dollars for the payment of his assistant clerks, (one of whom shall be required to prepare the annual voting lists;) and he shall account for all fees for recording mortgages of personal property and for all other sums of money received in his official capacity. Sect. 6. There shall be paid to a Clerk (to be elected by the City Council) who shall act as Secretary to any and all Joint Standing and Special Committees of the City Council when requested to do so, and perform such clerical duties as may be required of him by the Mayor and Aldermen, at the rate of Six hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 7. The salary of the City Engineer shall be at the rate of Twenty five hundred dollars per annum. The Salary of the Assistant Engineer shall be at the rate of One thousand dollars per annum.

Sect 8. The Salary of the Clerk of the Common Council
and be at the rate of Seven hundred dollars per annum. May 25. 1853.
Sect. 9. The Salary of the Chief of Police shall be at the rate
of Eighteen hundred dollars per annum and he may be
allowed a sum not exceeding Two hundred dollars per
annum to keep a horse and chaise, provided the bills for
the same be approved by the Mayor. The Salary of the First
Police Deputy shall be at the rate of Twelve hundred
dollars per annum. The Salary of the Second Police Deputy
shall be at the rate of Eight hundred dollars per annum.
Sect. 10. The Salary of the Superintendent of Heads shall be
at the rate of B Twelve hundred dollars per annum.
And the Committee on Paving shall have the power to
furnish him with a horse and chaise at the expense of
the City, and have the same kept at the City's Stable,
for which they shall approve the bills. And no other
expenses shall be allowed for this officer unless by spec-
ial action of the City Council. Sect. 11. The Salary of the
Superintendent of Public Lands shall be at the rate of
Twelve hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 12. The Sala-
ry of the Superintendent of Public Buildings shall be at
the rate of Twelve hundred dollars per annum. And
he shall be allowed to hire, at the expense of the City,
a horse and chaise, provided the bills for the same be
approved by the chairman of the Committee on Public
Buildings. But the amount shall not exceed two hun-
dred dollars per annum. Sect. 13. The Salary of the
Superintendent of Common Sewers shall be at the rate
of C Twelve hundred dollars per annum. And he shall

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be allowed to hire, at the expense of the City, a horse and chaise, provided the bills for the same be approved by the Chairman of the Committee on Sewers & Drains; but the amount shall not exceed Two hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 14. The Salary of the Superintendent of Health shall be at the rate of Twelve hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 15. The Salary of the City Registrar shall be at the rate of Twelve hundred dollars per annum; and he shall be allowed Seven hundred dollars per annum to be paid a permanent clerk; and he shall account to the City for all fees received for entering and publishing intentions of marriage and for interments of the dead; and for his Assistant Registrars, he shall be paid a sum not exceeding ten cents for information concerning each birth which may be obtained and received, and he shall be allowed One hundred and fifty dollars for extra clerk hire. Sect. 16. The Salary of the Water Registrar shall be at the rate of Thirteen hundred dollars per annum, with the privilege of having a horse and chaise at the City's expense, if the same is approved by the Committee on Water; and the amount of such expense shall not exceed Two hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 17. The Salary of each of the Assessors shall be at the rate of Thirteen hundred dollars per annum, besides the allowance provided for by the Revised Statutes of the Commonwealth; and there shall be allowed this department, the further sum of Twenty one hundred dollars, to be paid for clerk hire. The Assistant Assessors shall be allowed Three

Dollars for each and every day which they shall
severally certify that they have devoted to the Service. Law 25 1853.
Sect. 18. The Salary of the Superintendent of the Fanuil
Hall Market shall be at the rate of Twelve hundred
Dollars per annum and he shall account for all sums
of money received by him in his official capacity. The
Salary of the Deputy Superintendent shall be at the
rate of Eight hundred Dollars per annum. Sect. 19. The
Salary of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department
shall be at the rate of Twelve hundred dollars per an-
num; that of the Assistant Engineers shall be at the
rate of Five hundred and fifty dollars per annum; that
of the Secretary of the Board of Engineers shall be at
the rate of eight hundred Dollars per annum & no
shall be in full payment for all services which may
be required of him by the Mayor and Aldermen, the
Chief Engineer and the Board of Engineers. The Foremen
of the respective Engine Hose and Hook and Ladder
Companies shall be paid at the rate of One hundred &
fifty dollars each, per annum, except the Foremen of
the several East Boston Companies, who shall receive
at the rate of Seventy five dollars per annum. The As-
sistant Foremen and Clerk of the said Companies
shall be paid at the rate of One hundred and twenty
five dollars per annum, each, except the Assistant
Foremen and Clerks of the several East Boston Companies
who shall be paid at the rate of Sixty dollars each, per
annum. The Stewards of the said Companies shall be
paid at the rate of One Hundred and twenty five dollars

364. each, per annum, except the several Stewards of the
May 23. 1853. East Boston Companies, who shall be paid at the rate
of Sixty dollars per annum; and all other members
[illegible] shall be paid at the rate of one
hundred dollars each, per annum, except the members
of the several companies at East Boston, who shall be
paid at the rate of Fifty dollars each, per annum. All
the salaries above named, except those of the Chief
Engineer, and the Warden of the Fire Engineers,
shall be paid semi-annually. Sect. 20. The Salary of
the Messenger of the City Council shall be at the rate of
One thousand dollars per annum, including services
for School Committee; the Salary of the Assistant Messen-
ger shall be at the rate of Two hundred dollars per an-
num. Sect. 21. The Salary of the Superintendent of the
[illegible] Hospital shall be at the rate of [illegible]
hundred dollars per annum, and he shall be allowed
sufficient house room, free of rent and board, for himself
and family in said Hospital, which compensation
and privileges shall be in full for his services as
Superintendent of said Hospital [illegible] Physi-
cian to all the Public Institutions at South Boston.
Sect. 22. The Salary of the Master of the House of Cor-
rection shall be at the rate of Twelve hundred dollars
per annum, and he shall be allowed sufficient house
room in said building, free of rent and board, for him-
self and family, but no other fees or perquisites shall
be allowed him. The Salary of the Clerk of the Board of
Overseers of the House of Correction shall be at the rate

of seven hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 23. The Sal-
ary of the Superintendent of the House of Industry, &c.,
shall be at the rate of One thousand dollars per an-
num, and he shall be allowed sufficient house room
in said building rent free and coal and wood for his use &
family; but no other perquisites shall be allowed
him. Sect. 24. The Salary of the Port Physician shall be
at the rate of Twelve hundred dollars per annum,
and he shall be allowed sufficient house room, free
of rent and coal, for himself and family; but no other
perquisites shall be allowed him. Sect. 25. The Sala-
ry of the City Physician shall be at the rate of One
thousand dollars per annum. Sect. 26. The Salary of the
Harbor Master shall be at the rate of Twelve hundred dol-
lars per annum and he shall be allowed the sum of
Seven hundred and thirty dollars to be paid to two boat
men and the further sum of One hundred and fifty dol-
lars for rent of office and coal. Sect. 27. The Salary
of the Superintendent of the North Free Bridge shall be
at the rate of Nine hundred dollars per annum, and
he shall be allowed the use of said Bridge, and toll;
the said compensation and privileges to be in full
for his services and for the services of such assistants
as he may employ. Sect. 28. The Salary of the Superinten-
dent of the South Free Bridge shall be at the rate of
Four hundred dollars per annum, and he shall be
allowed the use of the house and shop on the said
Bridge, free of rent. The said compensation and pri-
vilege to be in full for the services of himself and assistants

Sect. 29. The Salary of the Superintendent of the East
[illegible] and Chelsea Bridge shall be at the rate of Two
hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 30. The Salary [illegible] each
of the Justices of the Police Court shall be at the rate of
Eighteen hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 31. The Sala-
ry of the Clerk of the Police Court shall be at the rate
of Eighteen hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 32. The
Salary of the First Assistant Clerk of the Police Court,
shall be at the rate of Fifteen hundred dollars per
annum. Sect. 33. The Salary of the Second Assistant
Clerk of the Police Court shall be at the rate of One
thousand dollars per annum. Sect. 34. There shall be
paid to a Porter, whose duty it shall be to make all
the fires, and do all the cleaning necessary in the
City Hall, the sum of Seven hundred dollars per annum.
And there shall be paid to a Porter, whose duty it
shall be to make all the fires and do all the cleaning
necessary in the City Building (so called) the sum of
Two hundred dollars per annum, the whole to be done
to the satisfaction of the Superintendent of Public Build-
ings. Sect. 35. The Salary of the Superintendent of Faneuil
Hall shall be at the rate of Two hundred dollars per
annum. Sect. 36. The Salary of the Librarian of the Pub-
lic Library shall be at the rate of One Thousand dollars
per annum. Sect. 37. The Salary of each of the Officers ap-
pointed by the Mayor and Aldermen to take charge of
Truant and Vagrant Children, shall be at the rate of
Eight hundred dollars per annum. Ordered, That when-
ever any City Officer shall demand payment for his

thing, or any part thereof, it shall be the duty of the May 23. 1853
Auditor and City Treasurer, to deduct therefrom any
and all sums due from such officer to the City. In Com-
mon Council the foregoing Orders were passed, came up
for concurrence. Read and concurred with the following
Amendments, viz:- 1. From Sect. 7. (Salary of Assistant City
Engineer) at A. Strike out "one thousand and insert
"three hundred. 2. From Sect. 10. (Superintendent of Streets)
Strike out at B. the word "twelve" and insert fourteen. 3-
From Sect 13. (Superintendent of Sewers) Strike out at C.
the word "twelve" and insert fifteen. 4. From Sect. 17. (Assess-
ors) Strike out at D. the word "thirteen" and insert the
word fifteen. Sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned to Saturday next, at eleven o'clock, A.M.

Thursday, May 26. 1853. Mr. William Washburn member of Common
the Common Council elect from Ward No 6. appeared at- [illegible]
tended by his Honor Mr. Durant, and was duly quali-[illegible]
fied by His Honor the Mayor, who administered to him qualified
the oath of office.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Saturday the Twenty eighth day of May Anno Domini, 1853

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Alderman Sleeper.

Tucks- Laurence. A hearing on the subject of a repeal of the order of Dec^r 27, 1852. prohibiting the grant of further licenses for long tucks on and after July 1. 1853. agreeably to the petition of N. F. Laurence &c^a after an examination of witnesses by Harvey Jewett, Esq^r in favor of such repeal, the Board

Adjourned.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Thirtieth day of May Anno Domini, 1853.

Present

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Alderman Sleeper.

Gray- Dudley. Portland & Marion Streets. Petition of George A. Gray that the Sewer in Portland Street may be covered &c^a George P. Dudley that a common Sewer may be laid in Marion Street, between White and Monmouth Streets. Referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains.

Capen Memorial of Samuel Capen respecting damages and annoyances suffered by him, and

asking for the interference of the Police. Referred to the Mayor. 369.

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Petition of H. W. Fuller to be compensated for the damage sustained from the change of grade in Gold Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Fuller Gold Street.

Petition of S. S. Gardner others that Meridian Street be graded &c. and the edgestones set. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Gardner

Petition of John Ridgeway for leave to close up the foot of Ridgeway Lane for a few days;— of Sims & Laurence for leave to move a wooden building from Chamber Street to Orange Lane; & of the Fulton Iron Foundry Company, for leave to move a wooden building from Fulton Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving, with full power. Ridgeway Lane. Sims & Laurence. Fulton Iron Foundry Co.

Communication from John A. Barnard, A. Barnard and others offering to contribute $2100 towards the widening of the Southerly side of Hawkins Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets. Hawkins St.

Remonstrance of Charles E. Wiggin, Wiggin and others against the extension of Friend Street to Dock Square. Referred to the Committee on Streets. Friend Street.

Petition of Orwin Brewster and others that the name of Pitts Street may be Pitts Street

370 changed to Dana Street. Referred to the Committee
May 30. 1853. on Streets.

Petition of Francis E. Faxon &
Faxon. others for the abatement of a nuisance north side of Fan-
euil Hall. Referred to the Committee on Inland health,
with full power.

Harrington Petition of John C. Harrington
for base of a room in the Court House. Referred to the
Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board
with full power.

[illegible] Petition of [illegible],
that a nuisance may be abated between Bradford and
Washington Streets. Referred to the Committee on Inter-
nal Health.

Silsby Petition of J. H. Silsby and others
that additional Gas Lamps may be placed and light-
ed in Tremont Street near the Common. Referred to the
Committee on Lamps.

Sheriff- Communication from the Sheriff
ad. [illegible] the county expecting [illegible] the Lockup in
the New Jail; and petition of Charles Spear that a
Chaplain may be appointed for the New Jail. Referred
to the Committee on the Jail.

Cudworth- On the notices of intention
Mills- to build by S. S. Cudworth on Chambers Street; & Bailey
Tremont St: J. Mills on Tremont Street, the Committee on laying out
and widening Streets, reported, that no further action is
required thereon. Read and accepted.

Agreeably to the reports of the Committee on Licenses, Public Houses were licensed on 30.1853.
Innholders and Victuallers, as recorded in the Books kept Licenses.
for that purpose. On the petition of Thomas Mac Knight
and Daniel Spain, Leave had to withdraw on
same. The Committee on Licenses reported leave to with=
draw. Read and accepted.

On the petition of Joshua Mitchell Mitchell
and others for a change of grade in Indiana Indiana
Place the Committee on Paving reported that no further Place
action is required thereon. Read and accepted.

On the petition of John L. Pelles Pelles
and others that Harvard Street may be paved with Harvard
granite blocks, the Committee on Paving reported leave Street.
to withdraw. Read and accepted.

On the petition of Hopkinson.
Thomas Hopkinson that Canal Street may be paved, Canal St.
the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw
said Street not being accepted by the City. Read and
accepted.

On the petition of Thomas Hopkins
& Hopkins to be compensated for damage sustained Sandgate
by reason of the change of grade in Sandgate Street,
the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw.
Read and accepted.

Leave was granted to Metropolitan
the Metropolitan Serenaders to give concerts at the Serenaders
Music Hall on the usual conditions.

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Mason Stret Theatre.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Mason street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to the Boston Theatre bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the [illegible] corner of the [illegible] premises, at the point where the boundary line between land of said Boston Theatre and land of the Boston Society of Natural History meets the Southeasterly line of Mason Street; thence running Southwestwardly, along the [illegible] line of Mason Street one hundred and thirty [illegible]; thence Southeastwardly, by land of Heirs of Morton, thirty three hundredths of a foot; thence Northeastwardly along the proposed line of widening of Mason Street straight, twenty six feet and seventy five hundredths of a foot; thence more eastwardly, along the said line of widening, on a curve of six hundred feet radius, one hundred and ten feet and fifteen hundredths of a foot; and thence Northwestwardly, by land of said Society, one foot to the point of beginning; containing one hundred and twenty two Square feet, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public Street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said widening made by E. J. Chestrough

dated May 30th 1853 and deposited in the office of the
said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board doth ord= May 30, 1853.
dy that the expense of widening the said Mason
Street, as aforesaid, will amount to Three hundred dol=
lars: which sum together with the amount of estimates
of previous alterations or discontinuances in said Street,
during the present municipal year, does not exceed
the sum of five thousand dollars.

Ordered that the Boston
by a Resolve passed this day took a certain parcel of land, Theatre
therein described, lying on Mason Street and laid out Mason
in same as a public street or way of said city, it is Street.
therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to the Boston
Theatre Corporation and all other persons interested
as owners, proprietors, tenants, occupants, or otherwise,
in said land that they cut off, pull down, remove and
carry away all buildings, erections and obstructions
of every sort standing on and projecting over the line
of said Mason Street, as established by the Resolve afore=
said, or, more and let back the same to the said
line, and vacate and surrender the land and prem=
ises taken as aforesaid on or before the first day of
June next ensuing. And in default thereof, the
Chief of Police is hereby directed and empowered forth=
with to enter upon said land and cause all buildings,
erections and obstructions standing on and projecting
over the line of said Mason Street as established by
the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down,
removed and carried away, or to be moved and

574. set back to said line, and the said land to be vacated
May 30 1853 ed and surrendered under the direction of the Com=
mittee on laying out and widening Streets.

South Border & Swanton Sts

No persons appearing to object to the proposed construction of the common Sewers in South Street between Dorchester and G. Streets, — in Border Street between Sumner and Maverick Streets, and in Swanton Street to Marion Street — said subjects were committed to the Committee on Sewers and Drains with full power.

Thurgood Street

Ordered: That for the reason set forth in the communication of the Superintendent of Common Sewers, dated May 23d 1853 in relation to the assessment for constructing the common Sewer in Thurgood Street, the vote which passed this Board on the 27th of January 1851 establishing said assessment, be, and the same is hereby reconsidered, and the Superintendent of Common Sewers is hereby directed to present a revised estimate for the assessment for said common Sewer

Hazeltine

Ordered: That there be paid to Geo. W. Hazeltine the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars for damages sustained by him in grading Ve=
[illegible] upon the receipt of the city an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in [illegible] said grading; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for paving Streets.

Report of the Auditor of Accounts containing a Schedule of the Bills of the City of Boston. Laid on the Table and ordered to be printed. — May 30, 1853. Bills.

Indentures of Apprenticeship Edward McGlynn and Scally, plasterer, and James Colley a minor, having no parent or guardian in this county, were presented, and referred to Aldermen Whiting and James. — Indentures of apprenticeship

Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday June 13th at one o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of laying the Common Sewer in Friend Street and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who by any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby: any person making objections to do, will then and there be heard. — Farnum-Friend St.

Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday June thirteenth at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a Common Sewer in Liverpool Street and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who by any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby. Any person making objections thereto, will then and there be heard. — Adams-Liverpool Street.

3/6. In compliance with the

May 30. 1853. order of the Board of this date the Superintendent of Sew-

Stanard ers presented to the Board a revised schedule of assess-

Stead. ments for the construction of a Common Sewer in Stanard Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers & Drains.

Bremen Whereas, it appears to this

Chelsea Sts. Board, that certain lots of land situated on Bremen Street, Nos 43. 944 and on Chelsea Street No 4 and belonging to C. G. Belden of New-York and Joseph S. Cabot of Salem, are in a State of nuisance, and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, therefore Ordered, that a notice in writing be given to the said parties that they cause the said nuisance, existing on said premises and consisting of foul and stagnant water to be removed within ten days from the date hereof, by filling up the same with good coarse gravel or sand so that the same may be properly drained.

Broadway Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be instructed to have the sidewalks on Broadway laid, and that the expense of the same be charged to the abutters who have not conformed to the order passed by this Board.

Nuisances Ordered: That the Superintendent of Internal Health be and he is hereby authorized and directed to examine Half Moon Place - Broad Street - Wharf Street - the rear of No 11 Indian Wharf and the passage ways in rear of Broad Street from Custom House Street to Merchants Street and to cause

and carry away all House offal, dirt, filth and other 377
kinds of nuisance found therein or on the passage May 30. 1833.
ways leading therefrom.

The Board being advised Wilberforce
that certain tenements on Wilberforce Place, being number Place
25 on said Place are not provided with suitable privies
& vaults. Therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to the
owner and the agent of [illegible] said
said owners are hereby required to cause proper and
sufficient vaults to be constructed for such tenements
which shall be two feet from the lines of the adjoining
lots, within twelve days from the date hereof.

On motion of Alderman Rich, Watch
the Ordinance and amendments concerning the Watch & Police.
and Police, being City Document №28.) were taken from
the table and Alderman Rich presented a new ordinance
of sixteen sections as a substitute therefor and moved its
adoption. And the ordinance was read and was
adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

The Charter of the Metropoli- Metropolitan
tan Rail Road Corporation having been presented to Rail Road
the City Council for approval agreeably to the provisions
of the tenth section thereof, Aldermen Rich
James, and White, with such as the Common Council may
join to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence. Same
was concurred and Messrs Bonney, Bannister, Cummings,
Hubbs and Washburn were joined, June 2d

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Belmont Square.

Ordered: That the Committee on the Common and Public Squares in connection with the Committee on Paving cause the necessary edgestones to be set around "Belmont Square" so called and that they be authorized to make two Streets, forty feet wide, one on the Northerly side and the other on the southerly side of said Square if they shall judge the same expedient. The expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for Paving &c.

Internal Health

The appointment of Daniel [illegible] as Assistant Superintendent of Internal Health was approved by the Board.

Turnpike Street

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be directed to lay the sidewalks in Turnpike Street, between Fourth Street and the Bridge, and charge the expense thereof to such abutters as have not complied with the order of this Board dated April 25. 1853.

Public Garden.

Ordered: That all sums of money derived from the lease of the Public Garden during the present financial year be appropriated towards the expense of improving and embellishing said Garden. Sent down for concurrence, came up concurred June 2d

[illegible] Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be and he is hereby directed to lay the sidewalks in Shore Street between Meridian and Peter Streets, and to charge the expense thereof to such abutters as have not complied with the order of the Board dated April 25. 1853.

Ordered, That the Chief of | 379.
Police be directed to notify the owners and abutters on | May 30. 1853.
Police Street, from No 28 to Bickford Street to cause | Ord.
their sidewalks to be paved with Brick or Flat Stone ac- | Read.
cording to law, forthwith.

The Committee on Ordinances | Amends.
who were instructed to consider and report what changes
if any, are desirable in the Statutes or Ordinances in re-
lation to Burnt Districts, & report the practice, either
more efficient than at present respectfully report: From
an examination of the Act in relation to Burnts and
from information in regard to its practical operation, the
Committee were satisfied that some modification of that Act
was desirable. The Senior Justice of the Police Court has
hitherto had exclusive jurisdiction in such Burnts
and this fact has sometimes occasioned delay and em-
barrassment. Mr. Booth, being a member of the House of
Representatives, has at the request of the Committee ob-
tained such a modification of the act as was deemed nec-
essary to remedy this and some other defects. In conformity
with the act recently passed, the Committee recommend
the adoption of the accompanying Ordinance. For the Com-
mittee, Sampson Reed, Chairman. Read, accepted and the
Ordinance passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up
concurred, June 2d

The following Order was tak- | Remun
en from the table. Ordered: That there be appropriated the | Schools
sum of six dollars to each Engineer [illegible]
to whom a premium is granted [illegible]

Sch. brooms, dust pans, washbowls, coal hods, tin ware, pokers,
Dec 30. 1853 shovels, pails, tubs, thermometers and the like articles; the same to be expended under the direction of the Chairman & Secretary of the District in which the School is located. The bills for such articles to be approved by the said District Chairman or Secretary, and presented to the Auditor in the months of October and March: those in October not to exceed the sum of three dollars and those in the months of March following not to exceed with the amount of those paid in October the above specified appropriation for each School. And the same be charged to the appropriation for Incidental Expenses of Primary Schools [illegible] in addition to the appropriations [illegible].

Surveyor General of Lumber. Order of the Common Council appointing Messrs Hinds, Penney, Gourlin, Thornedike and Dean a committee on the part of this Board with such as the Mayor and Aldermen may join to confer upon the subject of the election of Surveyor General of Lumber, came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen First, Gary and James were joined.

Dean Petition of Newell Dean that a portion of the Water Tax paid by him may be refunded. Referred to the Committee on Water in connection.

Smith [illegible] Petition of Aldermen Harding the petition of Caleb Curtis and others, that an additional Inspector of Ballast may be elected was taken

May 30. 1853.

The Common Council House of having elected the persons heretofore chosen by this Board Industry as Directors of the House of Industry &c. in concurrence Director with the exception of David Kimball, in whose place Henry M. Holbrook was elected this Board proceeded by ballot to the choice of one Director, and the ballots being taken and counted it appeared that David Kimball was chosen again. sent down for concurrence.

The Joint Committee on Public Lands Public Lands to which was referred an order of the 19th. instant, requesting them to submit at the next meeting of the Council any letters they may have in their possession upon the subject of the Old Jail Lands from Revd Mr. Eddy, beg leave to Report: That they have not in their possession any letters or documents in relation to the same not already submitted to the City Council. Respectfully submitted, for the Committee, Benjamin Seaver, Chairman. Accepted in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

The ballots having been taken & sorted and counted for an Assistant Engineer of the Fire Department of the same it appeared that Eph Vanderpool was elected [illegible] concurrence with the Common Council.

The Joint Committee Land instructed under the order of the 16th instant to nominate Common a list of candidates to compose the Board of Public Land

Commissioners, as constituted by the provisions of an act
of 1853 Ordinance in addition to the Public Grounds", have attended
to the same and respectfully report the names herein
named, and unanimously recommend that the nomina
tion be confirmed. For the Committee, Benjamin Seaver
Chairman. Benjamin F. White, Paul Adams, Billings Bigg
Abel F. Bird, James Cheever, Andrew J. Hall, Henry A.
Hooper, Came up from the Common Council, Read
and placed on file; Thereupon the Ballots being taken
and counted for said Board Commissioners it appeared
that Benjamin F. Bird, Paul Adams, Abel F. Bird and
Cheever, Andrew J. Hall, and Henry A. Hooper were elected
in concurrence with the Common Council. This Board also
voted [illegible] on file [illegible], Concurred
by the other Branch. Sent down for concurrence.

The Board then adjourned to Monday, June 13th 4 o'clock P.M.

At a Special meeting of the
Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held
at City Hall on Tuesday the Thirty first day of May, A.
no Domini, 1853.

Present,

The Mayor, Aldermen James, Rich, Whiting and White.

Petition of Joseph Ballard 383.

and others, that the licensed wagons which now stand Ballard
in Union Square may be removed therefrom. Referred to Bromfield H:
the Committee on Licenses with full power.

On motion of Alderman Rich, Police
so far as the Ordinance relating to the Police was by Watch
passed to be considered and the Ordinance having been
amended by adding thereto a new Section numbered 17.
was finally enabled by the Board. Not drawn for convenience.

The Board then adjourned to Monday June 13th 4 o'Clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of
Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City
Hall on Monday the Thirteenth day of June, Anno Domini, 1853.

Present,
The Mayor, and all the Aldermen Read, Wells & Hooper.

Petition of Wm Pond and Amos
Lawrence to Mr Christian Geer of the Howard Athenaeum for
a permission for him to open the wagon House on said premises
during said Campbell Minstrels to give Concerts at Winthrop
Square Garden & Rutherford Square & Public Garden & the Wheelwright
Indians to exhibit their manners and customs in the Tea Indians
in Garden were severally referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of James Hunkin

June 15. 1853 and others that High Street, near Federal Street, may be
Hunkins lighted with gas. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Petition of P. H. Blaney and
Blaney others for the abatement of a nuisance between Porter,
Chelsea, Meridian, and other Streets at East Boston. Refer-
red to the Committee on Internal Health.

Petition of William Fahey &
Fahey others that a nuisance in Carney Place may be abated.
Carney Place. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health with full
power.

Petition of James McHaughlin
McHaughlin that the gate to the Sewer in Harrison Avenue may be
D'Arcy repaired. & John A. D'Arcy and others that a common
Hayward. Sewer may be laid in Saratoga Street and a remon-
strance of P. W. Hayward and others against the change
of [illegible] Common Sewer in Bedford Street were
severally referred to the Committee on Sewers & Drains.

Petition of Wade Guthrie to
Guthrie be paid for land taken to widen Beverly Street & Edmund
Renouf Renouf to be paid for land taken to widen Bedford Street.
Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of William Gud-
Gudley ley and others that Winter Street may be widened
Brewster Orwyn Brewster and others that the name of Fitts Street
Fitts Winter may be changed to that of Berrie Street. Ref[d] to the Com[e] on Streets.
Streets.

Complaint of J. G. Williams 385.

Kenneth Keyes H. Leighton a Constable of this City, June 13. 1853.
was referred to the Mayor. Williams

On nomination by the
Mayor, John F. French was appointed a Special Police Police
Office for the Public Garden.

Petition of J. S. Whitney to be Whitney
paid for the damage occasioned by a change of grade Providence
in Belmont Street by the Providence Rail Road Corporation Rail Road
and to be paid for the damage occasioned by the change Donnelly
of grade in Church Street of Mary Donnelly and others
to be compensated for the damage sustained from the
change of grade on Suffolk Street and Washington
Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Remonstrance of Francis J. Oliver
others against the proposed making of Bingham Street Improvement
to Grade to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Oliver Kenney Kenney
for leave to construct Coal Holes under the Sidewalk in Field &
Atkinson Street of Field & Converse for leave to build Bridge
over the Sidewalk on York Street of Francis Gardner &
others for leave to place a Bridge in the Sidewalk on Chase &
Sawyer Street of Augustus Dudley & others to take
up a portion of the Sidewalk in Washington Street of
Kenney & others &c. for leave to run a Tunnel under Fulton
Street for the purpose of working machinery. Referred to
the Committee on Paving.

Application of Herbert Gibbs
Jan 15 1853 on for the benefit of the Franklin Fund was referred
Gibbs. to Aldermen White and Whiting.

Petition of John H. Hunnewell
Hunnewell and others that Marion Street (East Boston) may be
Marion St: accepted and graded_ of D. Evans and others that Felton
Evans Felton St: Street may be accepted and graded_ of William But-
Butler man_ Thos Gad L. S. and one hundred others that
Boardman Boston may be graded_ of B. G. Boardman Jr. and others
Coolidge Avenue. that Coolidge Avenue may be re-paved_ of John F. Em-
Emmons mons and others that Hollis Street may be re-paved_
Hollis St. of C. J. Raymond and others that Concord Street may be
Raymond altered & it named route_ of Lorenzo Dillon and others
Concord St: that Fenix Street may be accepted and graded. Referred
Dillon, Fenix St: to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Jos. Tyler & others
Appropriation Music. that the City would appropriate the sum of six hundred dollars for Music on the Common, provided an equal amount be raised by the Citizens. Referred to the Committee on the Common &c.

Constitutional Convention. Notice was received from the Constitutional Convention now in session in this City that the Hon. N. J. Abbot had resigned his seat in that body, and requesting this Board to convene the electors of the City to fill said vacancy in the manner and form therein set forth. Read and laid upon the table.

Petition of Mary Good = 387.

ain for compensation for injuries sustained by her June 13. 1853.
in Fremont Street. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Goodwin
ind down for concurrence. Came up concurred June 16th

Communication of Josiah Quincy
mitting certain additional data relative to proposed alteration
ferred to the Special Committee on that subject. Sent
down for concurrence. Came up concurred June 16th

Petition of James McAuliffe McAuliffe
and others for leave to form a new company called the Eckston
Eckston Guards. Referred to Aldermen Rich Whiting and Guards
Ball.

No person appearing to ob= Fairfield
ject to the proposed construction of a Common Sewer in Street.
Fairfield Street East Boston, said subject was recom=
mitted to the Committee on Sewers and Drains with full
power.

No person appearing to object Friend
to the proposed construction of the Common Sewer in Friend Street.
Street, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on
Sewers and Drains with full power.

Aldermen Whiting from Sewers
the committee to whom were referred the Indentures of Apprenticeship
Apprenticeship between McGlynn & Scully and James Lowry, reported that the same were correct, and recom=
mended that they be approved by the Board. Accepted
and approved accordingly.

June 13. 1855. Library

An invitation from the Trustees of the Public Library to visit the Library tomorrow afternoon, was read and accepted by the Board.

Sardinian Frigate

Ordered: That a Committee of three with such as the Board of Mayor and Aldermen may join, be appointed to tender the hospitalities of the city to the Commander and Officers of the Sardinian Frigate Don Giovanni now in our harbour, and to extend to them such other civilities and attentions as they may deem suitable and proper. And Messrs Richards, Hill and Tenney are appointed said Committee on the part of this Board. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Concurred, and the Mayor, and Aldermen James and Whiting were joined.

Endicott

On the petition of Francis Endicott and others that Chelsea Street be paved between Maverick and Decatur Streets, the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Licenses.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses, voted, That the Board of Victuallers and Innholders as recorded in the book kept for that purpose

Dudley

On the petition of George P. Marion St. Dudley. Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a Common Sew-

on the Easterly Side, from White Street to Monmouth Street, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who by any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next, at four Oclock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a Common Sewer in Second Street east of I Street, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who by any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections thereto, will then and there be heard. Second Street.

On the petitions of H. D. Gardiner and others that Meridian Street may be graded and edgestones set; and of Francis A. Fuller & others that Salubrity Street may be paved, the Committee on Paving reported that no further action is required thereon & Read and accepted. Gardiner. Fuller.

Leave was granted to Augustus Thorndike to construct coal holes under the sidewalk in front of his Store corner of Milk & Battery-march Streets. Thorndike.

On the petition of Joseph Bullard and others that the incumbrances caused by wagon in Dunstable Street may be removed the Committee Bullard

...ge on Sewers reported that the wagons complained of do
June 15, 1853. not obstruct the Road so much as the carriages and
wagons of some of the petitioners, and therefore that the
petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Stamford Road. The Committee on Sewers and Drains to whom was referred the revised schedule of assessments for the construction of the common Sewer in Stamford Road, reported the same as being correct and they offered the following order for the collection of the same viz: Whereas pursuant to an Order of this Board, passed on the thirteenth day of May, 1850, a Common Sewer has been constructed in Stamford Road, the cost of which was three hundred and forty nine dollars and fifty eight cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains three hundred and fifty two dollars to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: It is therefore, Ordered, that the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged & assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be collected & notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid. Their terms & conditions. Read, accepted and the order passed.

Gray & Pitman. The Committee on Sewers and Drains to whom was referred the petition of George H. Gray, that the common Sewer in Portland Street may be lower-

as report that said petitioner have leave to lower the same at his own expence under the direction of the Superintendent of Common Sewers and to the satisfaction of the Committee. - be the Committee were Read. and accepted.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses, the use of the Public Garden, at Rockery Hill was granted to the Choctaw Indians on condition that they pay for the same the sum of Two Hundred dollars per week, and employ none but the City Police to keep order therein. Read & accepted.

Ordered, That there be paid to Thos B. Towle the sum of One hundred and Sixty 50/100 Dollars for land taken to widen Pinckney Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed of the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening Streets.

Ordered, That there be paid to Charles Blake the sum of Sixteen hundred and eighty two 44/100 Dollars for land taken to widen Washington Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed of the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening Streets.

The Board being satisfied

[illegible] that [illegible] on said Street [illegible]

Stone on said Street is not provided with a suitable drain.

[illegible] of Dumbridgepoint, owner thereof that said owner is hereby

required to cause a proper and sufficient drain to be

constructed for such tenement, to be common and ad-

jest to the use of all the Inhabitants thereof, within five

days from the date hereof

Parkmen. The Board being satisfied

Cypress Street. that certain tenements on Cypress Street being number

8. to 16. on said Street, are not provided with suitable

[illegible] sewer, that due notice be given to

Geo. F. Parkmen owner thereof, that said owner is hereby

required to cause proper and sufficient drains to be con-

structed for such tenements to be common and subject

to the use of all the Inhabitants thereof, within five days

from the date hereof

White- Whereas it appears to this Board,

Washington that a certain lot of land situated on Washington Street

Street. near the Gasometer and belonging to S. G. White is in a

state of nuisance, and dangerous to the health of the

Inhabitants, Therefore Ordered, that a notice in writing,

be given to the said White that he cause the said

nuisance, existing on said premises and consisting of

foul and Stagnant water to be removed within ten

days from the date hereof, by filling up the same with

good coarse gravel or Sand so that the same may be

properly drained.

The Board being satisfied 393.
that certain tenements on the west side of Washington June 13. 1833.
Street being number 991. 1003. on said Street, are not pro- Washington
vided with sufficient drains. Ordered that due Street
notice be given to David N. Simmons & Hiram Johnson,
owners thereof, that said owners are hereby required to
cause proper and sufficient drains to be constructed for
such tenements to be common and subject to the use of
all the Inhabitants thereof, within five days from the date
hereof.

Whereas, it appears to the Athens
Board, that certain tenements situated on Athens Street, Street
between D. and E. Streets and belonging to John Osborn
and others are in a State of nuisance, and dangerous
to the health of the inhabitants thereof. Ordered
that a notice in writing, be given to the abutters on
said Athens Street that they cause the said nuisance,
resulting on premises and consisting of foul and stag-
nant water to be removed within six days from the
date hereof, by constructing a good and sufficient drain
for said tenements, which shall be common for the
use of all the inhabitants thereof.

On the petition of Nathan Bull
Bull and others. Ordered: That the Committee on Lamps Williams
be and they are hereby authorized to have the West on
the Williams Market lighted with Gas each evening, the
expense not to exceed seventy five dollars per annum.

Sept. Ordered: That the order
June 13. 1853 passed by this Board directing the Superintendent of
Farmington Roads to pave Farmington Road with granite block
Road. be so far modified as to authorize him to pave the same
with round Stones.

Colonial Ordered: That the Superin
Health tendent of Colonial Health be authorized to have printed
in all the daily papers the 108th Chapter of the Statutes
of 1850. in relation to health.

Ridgeway Whereas it appears to this
Church Road. Board that John W. Ridgeway has been for more than
two years the owner in fee of the estate No 1 Church Road
which was injured by the recent change of the grade
of said Road and Whereas by an order of this Board
passed April 25. 1853. the sum of Six hundred dollars
was ordered to be paid to Henry Fox, who claimed to
be the owner of said estate as compensation for said
damages it is therefore hereby Ordered: That there be
paid to John W. Ridgeway the sum of Six hundred dol
lars for damages occasioned by the change of grade in
Church Road, upon his giving to the City an acquit=
tance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses
in consequence of said change of grade, and that the
same be charged to the appropriation for Paving. Orde
red that the ordering [illegible] passing the pay
ment of the sum of Six hundred dollars to Henry Fox,
be and the same is hereby rescinded.

Ordered: That the Com- 345.
mittee on the Fire Department be and they are hereby June 13. 1853.
instructed to purchase in said City at such time as they
consider expedient, for the use of the Fire Department
six Phillips' Patent Fire-Annihilators provided the expense
of the whole of said purchase shall not exceed
the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars

The Common Council have Church
non concurred with this Board in the passage of the order Stud-
to purchase the estates on Church Street belonging to James Smith,
C. Smith and Jno Crawford, with an amendment by Crawford.
striking out all of the words "or otherwise," (as on page 358.)
said action came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Ordered: That the Com- Music
mittee on the Common and Public Squares be instructed on the
to engage Band of Music to play on the Common two Common.
evenings in the week commencing on Saturday next
at 6½ P.M. from October and ending on Saturday next at 5½ P.M.
P.M. next following the number of pieces of music not
to exceed sixteen each night, and the expense of the same
not to exceed three dollars per piece per night, and said
expense to be charged to Incidental Expenses and Miscella-
neous Claims. Sent down for concurrence.

Alderman Whiting offered Trucks
the following order. Ordered That the rule of this Board
passed Dec. 27. 1852. that no licenses be granted after the

396 first of July 1853. for two wheel trucks," be and the same
June 13. 1853. is hereby so far modified as to apply to new trucks only—
so that all trucks now in use may continue to be used
licensed until they are worn out and destroyed, but no
new license shall be issued for any truck not already
licensed at this date. Read and laid upon the Table.

Hubbard— Cambridge Rail Road. Petition of G. G. Hubbard and another that the City would accept an Act to incorporate the Cambridge Rail Road Company. Referred to the Committee on the communication from John P. Ober and another concerning the Act to incorporation of the Metropolitan Rail Road Company, in concurrence.

Police Station. The Ordinance providing for the organization of the Police and Police Department of the City of Boston, was referred in Common Council to the Committee on Ordinances. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Loan. Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized to borrow under the direction of the Committee on Finance, a sum of money not exceeding Six hundred thousand dollars in anticipation of the income of the financial year 1853 and 1854; and that all sums of money borrowed under this order, shall be made payable within the said financial year. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

House of Industry. The Common Council having again elected H. H. Holbrook a member of the Board

of Directors of the House of Industry &c. thereby nonconcurring with this Board in the election of David Kimball [illegible] Esq. his office, said action came up for concurrence. Read and laid upon the Table.

House of Industry

The ballots being taken and counted for a Superintendent of Common Schools, it appeared that Charles Allen was elected on the part of this Board. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred June 16th

Schools

The ballots being taken and counted for a Master of the House of Correction for Suffolk County. it appeared that Charles Robbins was elected in concurrence with the other branch.

House of Correction

The Common Council and Board in the choice of Billings Briggs, said action came up for concurrence: and the ballots having again been taken it appeared that [illegible] was elected in concurrence.

Public Grand Commissioner

Communication received from Albert H. Minot resigning the office of Grand Commissioner to which he was duly chosen. Accepted and sent down and thereupon the ballots having been taken and counted to fill said vacancy, it appeared that Nelson P. Raymond was elected on the part of this Board. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred June 16th

Grand Commissioner resigns

Feb 8. Petition of the Mechanic Ri-

[illegible] flemen that the sum of $350 paid by them to the Trea-

Mechanic surer in 1847-48 may be refunded to them; and the following

Riflemen. order, viz: Ordered, That the papers referred to in said petition be taken from the files of last year and referred to the same committee. Referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

State Tax. Communication from the Assessors, transmitting a warrant from the State Treasurer covering the amount of Tax imposed by the Commonwealth upon the City of Boston. Referred to the Committee on Finance in concurrence.

Expenditures in excess &c. The Joint Committee on Public Instruction to whom was referred the subject of expenditures in excess of Appropriation by law & re-

[illegible] ported upon the same subject and on which a City Solicitor has been published conferring the authority of the City Council to regulate and control the expenditures of the City and pointing out the proper remedy in case any Boards or Officers connected with the City Corporation should expend money in excess of appropriations made by the City Council, your Committee deem it unnecessary to report upon the same [illegible] subject. But your Committee have inquired into the causes of the excess of Expenditure in the Department of Public Instruction and find them three in number. 1st Deficiency in the original appropriation

to meet the necessary and ordinary expenses. 2d The 349.
establishment of a Normal School as authorized by June 13, 1853.
a vote of the City Council. 3d The payment of gratuities
amounting to about thirty five hundred dollars, to
teachers retiring from the public service. It is only
necessary for the Committee to comment upon the
last of these causes, the obvious danger of allowing any
such precedent to be established, being quite apparent.
The consolidation of the Public Schools during the past year
as recommended by the School Committee and authori-
zed by the City Council occasioned the removal of the
teachers to whom these gratuities were granted. The
principal ground upon which this consolidation was
urged was economy, and no allusion was made either
by the School Committee or the Committee on Public
Instruction in their reports in favor of this project to
any proposed gratuities. Your Committee cannot sup-
pose that the City Council intended to authorize any
such expenditure of the public money. Since the refer-
ence of this subject to your Committee, the School Com-
mittee have unanimously adopted a report disclaim-
ing any authority to expend any amount beyond
the sum appropriated by the City Council for School
purposes. In view of this action of the School Commit-
tee and orders already passed, the Committee recom-
mend no further action believing that the evil will
be corrected and abolished. For the Committee, J. F. H.
Homer. Accepted in Common Council. Came up for con-
currence. Read and concurred.

&c. Voted: That the Com=

June 13, 1853. mittee on Finance be and they hereby are directed to
Sems have report to this Council what disposition has been made
at of any of the Twelve thousand dollars borrowed under
Deer Island. the direction of the Committee of Finance Feb. 6th 1851
for the purpose of providing furniture for the New Sems
House on Deer Island. Passed in Common Council.
came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Salaries. The Common Council having concurred with this Board in fixing the salaries of the Superintendent of Sewers at Fifteen hundred dollars & the Assistant City Engineer at Twelve hundred dollars; but having non-concurred in the proposed reason of the vote of the Superintendent, Wards and of the Assessors and subject to vote; voted No and [illegible] committed to the Committee on Salaries. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred June 16th

Inspector of Fuel. The Common Council having again voted N. C. Ewing, Inspector of Fuel, them by non-concurring with this Branch in the choice of Henry Curtis the Board proceeded once more to the [illegible] and it appeared that the whole number of ballots was 6. Necessary for a choice 4. Henry Curtis had 3. N. R. Tewksbury 3. and there was no choice. A second ballot having been taken it appeared that Henry Curtis was chosen on the part of this Board. Sent down for concurrence.

An opinion from the City Solicitor to the effect that an election a Second Inspector of Ballast at this time was illegal under the terms of the existing Ordinance, came up from the Common Council. Read and placed on file. — June 13. 1853. Ballast Inspector

Alderman Whiting from the Committee on Ordinances reported to the Board an Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance respecting the ordering of lights &c. which [illegible] in certain instances in the original Ordinance. Read and the Ordinance passed. Sent down for concurrence. — Lights.

The Committee on Ordinances to whom has been referred Document No 42. report, that in anticipation of the time coming when it may be necessary to present [illegible] the Committee were called on the 11th instant, at which it was voted that in the opinion of the Committee the Joint Special Committee on Watch and Police having carefully considered the subject of uniting these two Departments under one head, and having reported the Ordinance to accomplish that object, the Committee on Ordinances recommend its being adopted, by the City Council, with the slight amendments made by the Committee to wit: Strike out the word "said" wherever it occurs before Chief of Police. The Committee [illegible] Whiting. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. — Watch & Police.

A plan of the proposed Church to be erected on the Jail Yards in Prescott Street, was submitted to the Board by the Reverend John H. Gray. — Jail Yards.

The Committee on Public

June 13. 1853. Lands to whom was recommitted City Document No. 32.

Jail Lands being the "Report of the Committee on the Jail Lands, with instructions to report what action if any, is necessary on the part of this Board," beg leave respectfully to recommend as follows, the rules hereto annexed. The Committee would remark, that it will be seen by reference to the abovenamed report, that the conditions, on which the Lots on the Northerly side of Wall Street were originally sold by sold to J. H. C. Amee, were changed under false representations made by him, yet, inasmuch as the parties, to whom Mr. Amee sold the land, was governed by the vote of the Committee, and actually made a considerable payment on the faith of the pledge given by said vote, the Committee are of the opinion that a deed of the said lots on Wall Street, numbered 11 to 20 inclusive, on the plan of the Jail Lands, ought to be given, in accordance with that vote; but with regard to the change of the conditions on the lots on Pearl Street, the Committee think as the land was originally sold at a low price in consequence of the restrictions, (that no other building than Stores or dwelling houses should be erected thereon), that the City virtually gave a pledge to the owners of Estates in the vicinity of the Land, that these conditions should be adhered to. And as strong remonstrances have been made against any change by many citizens in the neighborhood of the Land, they [illegible] recommend that the petitions, for a removal of the restrictions upon these lots,

not express any opinion whether it was expedient at the time the Land was sold, to impose any restriction thereon, but considering merely the fact, that this was done, it may justly be regarded as inexpedient now to remove them. The Committee feel bound to say, that they believe the remonstrants are actuated by the sincere belief that their interests would be greatly prejudiced, if the original conditions on which the Land was sold, should not be carried out, and not from any hostility to that large and respectable portion of our fellow citizens in whose behalf Messrs. Fitzpatrick and McElroy, have desired the change to be made. It is unquestionable to the best interest of the city that all denominations of Christians among us should have Churches, and the Committee would do nothing to prevent the accomplishment of this desirable object; but when, as in the present case, it is found that the occupancy of this Land was originally restricted to dwelling houses or stores only, they cannot think they are at liberty now to recommend such change therein as would permit the erection of a Church of any kind.

Benjamin Seaver, Isaac Gary, Benjamin James, Paul Adams, Farnham Plummer, Thacher Bond, Stephen Fuller.

In Common Council the foregoing Report was read, the following Resolution, Motion and Order were passed. Whereas by the Report of the Committee, a doubt is expressed whether the conditions under which the Jail Lands were sold to J. H. C. Ames, hold as against the pur-

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ent purchasers John B. Fitzpatrick and John McElroy;
and whereas it appears and said Amee has
claimed by said Fitzpatrick and McElroy to be and
contrary to the intention of said Amee as expressed
to the Committee and by them communicated to
the City Council; said conditions being precedent to
said sale and forming a part thereof, and
became a part of the consideration thereof; and whereas
other parties having become purchasers of a part of
said Salt Lands under the conditions unimpaired;
which conditions entered into, and became a part
of the consideration for which they paid their money,
and further the said parties so purchasing have
received their deeds of said lands direct from the City;
and whereas said Fitzpatrick and McElroy have ap-
pealed (as they say with confidence) to our justice and
impartiality, and in order that they, and all others
who have or may in this matter so appeal, may neith-
er of them be disappointed; it is Resolved, In order that
strict justice and impartiality may be meted out to
the parties appealing in this matter, that the said Fitz-
patrick and McElroy be requested by the Mayor to
convey to the City of Boston all the rights and titles
that they may have acquired to said lands from
J. H. B. Amee, or from any other claiming under him,
together with a release from said Amee of all his in-
terest in the premises, and the City hereby agree to pay
said Fitzpatrick and McElroy the amount of money
that has been paid by them to the City, and such further

sum as have by them been paid to said Amee, with such further sum, as reported and damage which he may sustain by such surrender of said lands to the city as shall be adjudged to be just; said amount to be determined by three disinterested men, to be chosen, one by each of the parties and the third by the two so chosen and such award made by them or a major part thereof shall be binding upon, both the City, and said John B. Fitzpatrick, and John Mc Elroy. Ordered, that the petitioners for the removal of the existing restrictions upon lots numbered 1 to 20. inclusive, on Sevenell Street, as shown on said plan of the jail lands, have leave to withdraw their petition. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Whereupon Alderman Rich moved that the Board concur with the following amendment. - That strike out all after the word "Mc Elroy," and insert the following "therefore, to determine the matter, it is Ordered, That His Honor the Mayor be, and he is hereby authorized to convey to John Mc Elroy, or his assigns, upon the terms and conditions set forth in the original agreement made by the City with J. H. A. Amee as modified by a vote of the Committee on Public Lands, passed March 9th 1853, all the lots known and numbered 1 to 20. inclusive, on Wall Street, as shown upon a plan of the Old jail Lands, drawn by E. I. Chestrough, and dated November 1. 1851. and on the judgment, to the proceeds of his part of the ordered. Ordered, That the Mayor be, and he is hereby authorized to convey to Rev. John Mc Elroy or his assigns, the lots numbered 1 to 5. inclusive, on Fennell Street, as shown on a plan of the Old jail Lands, drawn by E. I. Chestrough, and dated Novem-

Feb. 1851) on the terms and conditions set forth in the original agreement, the city within [illegible] years as modified by a vote of the Committee on Public Lands, dated March 9. 1853, in reference to the Wall street lots. After a discussion upon the amendments the subject was laid upon the table.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Twentieth day of June A.D. 1853

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Read and Cary.

Roath — Petition of G.N. Roath & others that certain flags, signs &c. projecting in Hanover Street may be removed. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Emery — Petition of F.W.K. Emery for leave to move a wooden building from Shawmut Avenue to Newton Street, Referred to the Committee on Paving with full power.

Petition of N. W. Merrill for 407.
leave to erect a Steam engine in Milton Place, with [illegible] ation. Referred to the Committee on Steam Engines &c. Merrill

Petition of Henry Dyer and Dyer
others, that Bulfinch Street may be macadamized; of Nason-Jones.
Thos L. Nason and others and of Henry Jones and others Stockwell.
that Border Street may be paved; of I. N. Stockwell and others Bulfinch, Border
that Princeton Street may be graded. Referred to the Com- & Princeton Sts:
mittee on Paving

Petition of George W. Crockett Crockett-
for leave to construct coal holds under the Sidewalk in Hurd Tuckerman
Street:- of Edward Tuckerman and others that the sidewalk Bulfinch Stud.
on the Southerly side of Bulfinch Street may be widened:-
of Ephraim Stetson and others to be paid for labor & materials Stetson.
furnished on First and L. Streets. Referred to the Committee
on Paving.

Petition of the Seal of Soldiery Seal of
for leave to retain their Armory at Faneuil Hall. Refer- Soldiery.
-red to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for
concurrence. Came up concurred June 23d

Petition of Clement Willis & Willis.
others, of Oren Mc Willis and others, and of Dr Winslow Lewis
Lewis that a nuisance in the vicinity of Northampton and Northampton
Plymouth Streets may be abated. Referred to the Committee & Plymouth Sts:
on Internal Health.

708. Petition of Alexander Wilson and
Wilson others that sundry Ash Carts may be made
in their daily pay. Referred to the Committee on Internal
Health, with full power.

Petition of Phillip Nolan & others
Merrimac St. that a nuisance at the corner of Merrimac and Causeway
Causeway St. Lead Yard & Boston Marine Rail may be abated.
Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Robinson, Petition of Henry Robinson and
Greenough Lane. others to be paid for land taken from them by the construc-
Appleton tion of a Common Sewer in Greenough Lane: of Appleton
only Trustee. Apleton and two Vendues of the same Trustee only praying for leave to lay down a Sewer in that vicinity. Referred to the Committee on Sewers & Drains.

Hale Petition of Joseph Hale and
others that a nuisance in the Streets north of Dover Street
may be abated. Referred to the Committee on Internal
Health.

Starkey Petition of Charles A. Starkey
for leave to keep an Intelligence Office. Referred to the
Committee on Licenses.

Remonstrance of Luke Hall
and others against licensing Job Wagons &c. to stand in
Bedford Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Holmes Petition of John Holmes for leave
Miller to exhibit a living Skeleton in the Public Garden on and
Harvey after the 27th of June: of Geo. Miller &c. for leave to give a

[illegible] Council in the City [illegible] Henry Thorne [illegible] by
[illegible] Inland [illegible] in the [illegible] and
[illegible] to the Committee on Licenses.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses certain persons were licensed as Innholders and Victuallers, as recorded in the book kept for that purpose. Licenses.

A message from the Mayor to the City Council transmitting the Address of the Authorities of Boston, England to those of Boston New England. Referred in Common Council to Messrs. Plummer, Rayner and Beal, with such as the Board of Mayor and Aldermen may join, to adopt such measures as they may deem proper. Boston in England.
[illegible] up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and the Hon. Mayor, Aldermen Sleeper and Whiting were joined.

The Common Council having amended the order of this Board, dated June 13th 1853. (and recorded on page 395 of this volume) respecting Music on the Common, by striking out at A. the words "two evenings in the week" and inserting "on one evening in each week between the hours of seven and nine o'clock and on Saturday afternoon of each week between the hours of six and eight o'clock" - said action came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Music on the Common.

The Report and Ordinance respecting the weighing and marking of Lighters &c. received in Com: Council to the Com[mon] on Ordinances. Came up for concurrence. Read & concurred. Assistant Lighters.

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No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of Common Sewers in Mar[illegible] Wm Ward vs. Smith & Monmouth Streets; and in Second Ss: Med. South Boston, said subjects were recommitted to the Committee on Sewers and Drains with full power.

Solicitor.

The ballots being taken and counted by a city Solicitor. It appeared that Eng. C. Chandler was elected on the part of this Board. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred June 23d

Constables.

On nomination by the Mayor, Asa Eaton and Henry A. Haskell were appointed Constables until the annual appointment of these officers in September next.

Police

On nomination by the Mayor, Lewis Jones was appointed a Special Police Officer for the Music Hall &c. - and Robert Burdeen was appointed a Special Police Officer for the vicinity of the City Stables.

Watchman discharged.

The Mayor notified the Board that Henry Tucker had been discharged from the Watch for neglect of duty.

Back Bay

Ordered: That the Committee on Internal Health cause to be abated the nuisance on the Back Bay, near the Public Garden and Beacon Street, forthwith at the expense of the parties who have caused the nuisance.

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Charity School, Channing Street.

The Committee on Public Instruction to whom was referred the communication of Samuel Eliot, Esq., in relation to a Charity School, established by him in Channing Street, ask leave to Report: — Mr. Eliot says, in his communication, "It struck me several years ago that there was a numerous and an increasing class of children for whom no suitable provision was made at public expense. They did not appear bad enough to be sent to the poor house or the house of correction. On the other hand, they did not seem high enough or good enough to claim admission to our public schools. They needed restraint as well as instruction. They required to be fed, clothed, to be taught to clean or to help themselves, even more than to be instructed in the common studies of the schools. It seemed that there might be some substitute, upon or it were, by which the most wretched children of the streets should be saved from our prisons, to be cared for in our schools. I determined to try the experiment. As is known to some members of the Government, I opened a charity school. Its primary design was to aid vagrant and destitute children to enter our public schools. Two hundred have been enabled to do so, and have supply in females, workshops, & in those schools, both of the city and of the country. Those requiring discipline have been disciplined. Those needing decency have been made decent. Those in want of food or clothing have been supplied. Not all the five hundred, not more than three-fourths of that number, according to the best information to be obtained, have been permanently elevated or saved. It

required more means than were at my command to
June 20. 1853 take care that none who left the school should relapse
into their former wickedness." The Committee are informed
by [illegible] that many [illegible] dollars, chiefly contributed by his friends and acquaintances, have been
expended in the undertaking, and that, unless he receives
timely aid from other sources, the school must soon be clos-
ed from want of means to defray the expenses. The Commit-
tee have given the subject such consideration that attention
to, which its importance demands, and through a sub-
committee have visited the school established by Mr. Elliot.
They have no reason to question the [illegible] accuracy of
his statement or the usefulness of his benevolent undertak-
ing. The school is under the immediate care of a Matron
who both instructs and provides for the pupils, and is
also visited by ladies, who are interested in the object of
the institution, and who give instruction in sewing. The
Committee regard this school [illegible] the same light
as they regard the schools for adults, and as deserving the
encouragement and protection of the City in the same way.
They think however that it would be unwise for the City to
attempt to take either the one or the other under its sole con-
trol and management. The unbought and priceless charities
of life possess a freshness and a power peculiarly their own,
blessing alike those who give and those who receive. Where-
ever these fountains are opened, their streams should be per-
mitted to flow freely without let or hindrance. Should the City
undertake the exclusive management of the Charity School
in Channing Street or of the adult schools, the Committee

an object is that such a cause would prove highly injurious if not fatal to their life and usefulness. But it by no means follows, that the City should regard these effort with unconcern, or that it should not lend a helping hand, when, without its aid, that which might be a pleasing task, is in danger of becoming an irksome burden to it. The Council are committed the general interests of the City, and they should, last of all, neglect those which deeply concern the cause of religion and morality, for these lie at the very foundation of all true happiness and prosperity. If Mr. Edict has rescued some hundreds of children from a state of degradation and vice he has performed a service for which his fellow citizens and the public may well be grateful. Passing by all higher considerations, and regarding the subject mainly in a financial view, it is not for wise to spend money judiciously, in reforming and elevating the child and thus checking crime in the bud than to abide the other alternative of providing houses of industry and correction, and of supporting the criminal, when his reformation is no longer to be expected? Mr. Edict observes; "It was soon found advisable to enlarge my plans, and to provide for children already at school. Many and many a pupil of our public schools stood in need of food, or clothing, or books, to enable him to remain at school. Full five hundred of this class have been supplied with what they were proved to need. But for such relief, many must have lost their places in the schools. In proof of these statements, I would refer to the officers charged with the care of truants, and to the teachers in the public

4th School especially those in the neighborhood of the Charity
Grammar School. The Committee regard this as a very important
subject, and it is one which has already been brought
to the notice of the City Council. From information receiv-
ed from the Ward Officers, there is no reason to doubt,
that the cases are not infrequent, where children are
kept from attending our public schools from the inability
of their parents to procure for them decent clothes & shoes.
In the opinion of the Committee, provision should be made
to supply this want where it really exists. Great care is un-
doubtedly necessary to prevent imposition, and the whole sub-
ject requires the exercise of much good judgement & sound
discretion. It is not thought, however, that the City should
depend upon Mr. Eliot to furnish clothes for these children
who would otherwise be deprived of the privilege of attending
our public Schools. The Committee trust that some provis-
ion may be made for this object. The School in Channing
Street ought perhaps to be regarded in the light of an ex-
periment, and the duty of the City in relation to this
and similar institutions may probably be more clearly
seen and defined hereafter. In view of the present emer-
gency, and with the information they now possess, the
Committee would recommend the adoption of the follow-
ing order. For the Committee. Sampson Reed. Ordered; That
the sum of Five Hundred dollars be placed at the dis-
posal of the Grammar School Committee for the purpose
of aiding Mr. Eliot to continue the Charity School establish-
ed by him in Channing Street; and that the same be
charged to the appropriation for the Reserved Fund. In

Common Council. Accepted and the order passed. Came 415.
up for concurrence. Read and concurred. June 20, 1853

Ordered: That there be paid Providence
to the Providence Rail Road Corporation the sum of Three Rail Road -
hundred and sixty seven dollars 9/100 for damages occasioned Church Street.
by the change of grade in Church Street, upon their giving
to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages,
costs and expenses in consequence of said change of grade,
and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving &c.

Ordered: That the Committee Building
on Public Buildings be and they are hereby authorized to
repair the wooden building belonging to the City on the corner
of North Charles Street and Cambridge Street, which was re- North Charles St.
cently damaged by fire the expense of the same not to
exceed Three hundred dollars and to be charged to the appro-
priation for Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence.
Came up concurred June 23d

Ordered: That the Board ac- Turnpike
cept and adopt the grade of Turnpike Road, Edmondson Road - Road.
way and Seventh Street, proposed by the City Engineer; said
grade being shown on a profile of the said Road by the said
Engineer, dated June 20th 1853. and deposited in the Office
of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen.

Ordered: That the Superinten- Pumps -
dent of Roads cause the pump now standing at the corner of Pratt
& Castle and Middleton Roads to be removed the same being

416. a source of nuisance to that vicinity.

June 20. 1853.

Hunt. On the petition of N. L. Hunt for the removal of the Wagon Stands from before his premises, the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Chase & Co. On the petition of Henry G. Chase & Co. for leave to run a Shaft under Fulton Street, for the purpose of working machinery, the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted

Boardman & Coolidge Avenue. On the petition of B. G. Boardman, Jr. and others, that Coolidge Avenue may be paved, the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw, said passageway being private property. Read and accepted.

Campbell Minstrels. Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses, the Campbell Minstrels were allowed to give Concerts at the Music Hall.

Robinson Eagle Theatre. A license was granted to J. Hall Robinson to open the Eagle Theatre, on condition that none but the City Police be employed to preserve order.

Bryant Howard Athenaeum. A license was granted to Jerry Bryant to open the Howard Athenaeum on condition that none but the City Police be employed to preserve order, and that the Committee on Licenses find the Theatre a safe place in regard to the egress of the audience.

Oliver Jenney was permitted | June 20, 1853.
to construct Coal Holes under the Sidewalk in Atkinson Street | Jenney
on the usual conditions.

Field and Converse were | Field et al.
permitted to construct Coal Holes under the Sidewalk in North
Street corner of Richmond Street, on the usual conditions.

Alderman Frost, from the | Lumber
Committee of Conference upon the election of a Surveyor Gener-
al of Lumber, read to the Board a general statement of
facts in relation to the subject, and offered to the Board
the following resolutions viz:- Resolved: That the right
of voting for such Public Officers as are required by the Char-
ter and the Ordinances of the City to be elected by the City
Council, is a personal right of each member of said Council,
to be exercised in accordance with his own judgement, and
subject to no control except the positive instructions of his
constituents. Resolved: That the foregoing resolution together
with all the papers connected with the subject, and now
before them from the Committee of Conference be submitted to
the Common Council. On motion of Alderman Rich, all
after the word "judgement" in the first Resolve was stricken
out; and the resolutions were then adopted, and sent down.

The subject of the election | Lumber
of the Surveyor General of Lumber was then taken from
the table, and the ballots having been taken and counted it
appeared that Charles Leighton was elected. Sent down for
concurrence.

June 20. 1853. Salaries.

The Joint Special Committee on Salaries to whom were recommitted Sections 10. and 17. of the Salary Bill for 1853 54 relating to the Salaries of the Superintendent of Streets, and of the Assessors, having again considered the Subject, recommend that said Sections be established, as follows. Per the Committee, J. P. Rich, Chairman.

Sect. 10. The Salary of the Superintendent of Streets shall be at the rate of Fourteen hundred dollars per annum. And the Committee on Paving shall have the power to furnish him with a horse and chaise at the expense of the City and have the same kept at the City's Stable, for which they shall approve the bills: and no other expenses shall be allowed for this office unless by special action of the City Council.

Sect. 17. The Salary of each of the Principal Assessors shall be at the rate of Fourteen hundred dollars per annum including the allowance provided for by the Revised Statutes of the Commonwealth: and there shall be allowed this Department, the further sum of Twenty one hundred dollars to be paid for Cart hire. Passed. Sent down for concurrence

Carney Place

The Board being satisfied that certain tenements on Carney Place are not provided with suitable drains or vaults. Therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to the heirs of Benjamin Bussey owners thereof, that said owners are hereby required to cause proper and sufficient drains and vaults to be constructed for such tenements within Six days from the date hereof.

Lexington Place

The Board being satisfied that certain tenements on Lexington Place being number 1.2.3.4.5.

in said Place are not provided with suitable drains. Therefore 1119.
Ordered, That due notice be given to Geo. W. Gerrish and Nathan June 20. 1853.
Matthews owners thereof, that said owners are hereby required
to cause proper and sufficient drains to be constructed for
such tenements & to connect and unite the same with
the Sewers in said Place within five days from the date hereof.

Ordered, That the Chief of Sidewalks
Police be directed to notify Andrew B. Potter, 29 North Charles
Street. Thomas Walton, 39 Pinckney Street. Augustus Bass,
17 Blossom Street. Suffolk Savings Bank, 1119. 151. 153. Cam-
bridge Street. to cause their Sidewalks to be paved with Brick
or Flat Stones, according to law, within ten days from the
date hereof.

Ordered: That the Superin- Hollis
tendent of Streets be directed to have Hollis Street
and to make such alterations in the grade as are required.

Ordered: That to prevent Streets
accidents, and for the greater convenience of citizens and 4th of July
processions during the day, and of persons visiting the
Common in the evening of the 4th inst. the following
requirements are made in regard to carriages &c.
11 o'clock A.M. Carriages, Wagons &c. will be excluded from
the Streets through which the City Procession will pass. At
6 o'clock P.M. all carriages, vehicles, refreshment stands &c.
will be excluded from Tremont Street & Beacon Street and
Beacon Street; Temple at Washington Street & Tremont
Row; West at Washington; Bromfield at Washington Street &

Washington; Vermont at Eliot; Pleasant at Eliot; Church at Rail Road Depot; the Mill Dam at Lime Street; Charles Street at Chestnut; Spruce at Chestnut; Joy at Mount Vernon Temple at Mount Vernon; and Beacon at Bowdoin Street, until after the Fireworks are discharged and the people have left the Common. And the Chief of Police is hereby authorized and directed to carry the above order into effect.

Fire Crackers

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be and he is hereby ordered to enforce the City Ordinance in reference to the firing of crackers in the public Streets, particularly Sections 33 & 35 City Ordinances page 111.

Trucks

On motion of Alderman Whiting, the order of the Board offered by him at the last meeting, respecting the Licenses of Trucks was taken from the table, and amended by striking out all after the word hereby in the fourth line and by inserting instead thereof the word "rescinded." The order, as amended, was then adopted.

Mc Laughlin

On the petition of James Mc Laughlin that the gate to the Sewer on Harrison Avenue, near Malden Street, may be repaired, the Committee on Sewers and Drains reported that the necessary repairs on the tide gate on Malden Street have been made. Read and accepted

Lawley

On the petition of Levi A. Lawley for postponement of the assessment for the construction of a Common Sewer in Broad and Atkinson Streets, the

Committee on Sewers and Drains reported that no further 421.
action is necessary on the same. Read and accepted. June 20. 1853.

The Committee on Licenses Auctioneers
recommend the renewal of the within Auctioneers licenses
from and after the first [illegible] to the committee [illegible]
Rich, Chairman. Read and accepted, and the following
persons appointed,- viz:- Kimball & Robinson. Edwd D. Clark &
Son. John Tyler. Samuel Hale. [illegible]. Mudford
& Stacey. Newell A. Thompson. Townsend, Mallard & Keeling.
J. Breen & Sons. Whitwell, Brethe & Edward F. Hall. Samuel
L. Bayley. Sanders & Parker. Jabez Ball. J.K. Porter & Co.

On motion of Alderman Rich Jail
the subject of the salary of jail yard was taken from the Yard.
table: and after a motion to postpone for one week had been
lost the amendment proposed by Alderman Rich was adopted
by the following vote. Yeas the Mayor, Aldermen Bright
Jones, Rich, Whiting and White-6. Nay, Aldermen First. 1
Sent down for concurrence.

Alderman Gary being necessa- Jail
rily absent from the meeting this day communicated through Yard
Alderman Rich, his particular request that his vote on the
above subject might be recorded in the negative. Whereupon
it was voted by the Board that Alderman Gary's request be
entered on the record.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Tuesday the twenty first day of June, A.D. Eleven 1853

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen Reed, Lary and Frost.

State House — Notice from the State Commissioners of their intention to enlarge the State House by adding to the original building on a line with Mount Vernon Street, and asking for the lines and level of the Street Referred to the Committees on Streets and Paving.

Charles River & Warren Bridges — Notice from the State Commissioners appointed to ascertain the best mode of repairing Charles River and Warren Bridges. Referred to the City Solicitor.

Redlon — Carpets. Petition of A. Redlon and others that the Ordinance prohibiting the Shaking of Carpets upon the Common may be repealed: read and thereupon Ordered that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, there being in that vicinity better facilities for shaking Carpets than the Common affords.

Bartlett — Boston Water Power Co. On the petition of Sidney Bartlett, and others. Ordered: That notice be given to the Boston Water Power Company that it is necessary for the Health of the Inhabitants of the City that a drain of suitable height be placed and kept at the sluice gates in the principal dam of the empty basin in such manner as to cause

the flats in the empty basin to be kept constantly covered by [illegible]
water and that this Board requires the same to be done forth-
with.

Ordered: That notice be given to the Boston Water Power Company and to the Boston Water Power Company and to the Boston and Roxbury Mill Corporation that the empty basin is to be covered as herein directed with water forthwith.

Adjourned to Monday next, at three o'clock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Friday the Twenty fourth day of June, in Anno Domini, 1853.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Reed, Ellis, and Train.

Petition of the Shields Artil- Shields
lery, and of the National Guard severally for the approval Artillery
of the forms erected for firing Salutes at the ensuing National
Public meeting on the part of this Board. Guard

Petition of John Sullivan and

June 24. 1853. others, that the passageway leading from Bosps Hill to Prince
Petition Read may be repaired, of Sunderson, Bethel &c and others
Referred that Deane Strat may be repaired. Referred to the Com=
mittee on Paving.

Petition of Daniel Rice and

others that a nuisance existing upon Hollens Wharf may be
abated, Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Lighters

The Common Council having
relief

amended Section 3d of the proposed new and additional
Ordinance respecting the weighing and marking of lighters
by striking out from said Section at A the word "two" and
inserting "three" Said action came up for concurrence.
Read and concurred, and the Ordinance passed, as re=
corded in the Book kept for that purpose.

Inspectors

A certificate that Henry Curtis &
of Ballast.

A K. Tewksbury had been elected by that branch Inspectors
of Ballast &c came up for concurrence, and the ballots
having been taken and counted, it appeared that Henry
Curtis and A. K. Tewksbury were elected in concurrence.

Committee

The ballots having been taken
Clerk of

and counted for a Clerk to the Committees of the City Council
it appeared that no one would was elected in concurrence.

State House

On the petition of the Commis=
sioners appointed for the enlargement of the State House, for

the use of a portion of Mount Vernon Street, it was ordered 1425.
that eight feet be allowed them on Mount Vernon East and
that twelve feet on Mount Vernon Street North.

Adjourned to Monday next at 3 o'Clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board
of Mayor and Aldermen, in City Hall in said Boston
Hall on Monday the Twenty Seventh day of June, A.D. 1853.

Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

The Special Committee Hewson.
to whom was referred the application of Federal Street Franklin
for the benefit of the Franklin Fund, reported that they had Fund
examined into the securities offered by the petitioner and they
recommend the approval of the same. Read and approved
accordingly.

The Bonds of Rufus K. Cook Constables.
and Henry C. Stratton, as Constables, were approved by the
Board.

Petition of Joyal Lovejoy & Lovejoy.
others that a reward be offered for the detection of Incendi-
aries in this City. Referred to the Mayor with full power.

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Petition of Henry Avery and

June 29. 1855. others for the removal of the Truck teams from the north side

Avery of Commercial Wharf. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Henry A. Ayling and

Ayling others that a nuisance may be abated in Tyler Street: of

Bradlee Josiah Bradlee and others for the abatement of a nuisance

in Wharf Street. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Petition of [illegible] E. Spalding and

Spalding others against the re-numbering of Court Street. Referred to the

Committee on Streets.

Petition of N. O. Perkins & others

Perkins members of the "Prince Hall" Grand Lodge, for the use of Faneuil

Faneuil Hall Hall on the day and evening of the Sixth of July for the pur-

pose of holding a Levee therein. Referred to the Committee on

Public Buildings on the part of this Board with full power.

Communication from Aaron D.

Williams Williams respecting the recent disposition of Stall No 102. in

Williams Mkt. Faneuil Hall Market. Referred to the Committee on the

Market with authority to give the petitioner a hearing.

Petition of John R. Squires & others

Squires respecting the Stall recently belonging to James Coggin, and

Market. numbered 18. in Faneuil Hall Market. Referred to the Com-

mittee on the Market.

Petition of Edwin E. Lyon to be paid

Lyon for damage sustained from the change of grade of Atkinson

and Dorchester Streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving. 427.

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Petition of Josiah Snelling & others that the Ordinance prohibiting the shaking of carpets on the Common may be repealed. Referred to the Committee on Common. — Common

Communication from the Auditor stating that more money is needed for the improvement of the Public Lands & that the amount can be drawn from. Referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred June 30th — Public Lands

Remonstrance of the Boston Sewer Company against the maintenance & the order of the Board of Health on the Mill Dam & the Mill Dam be kept closed. Referred to the Mayor, with full power. — Boston Sewer Co.

Petition of the Wardens of Trinity Church that they may be heard respecting the order forbidding interments under said Church. Referred to the Committee on Cemeteries. — Trinity Church — Cemeteries

A communication was received from the President of the Cochituate Water Board, covering a detailed account of assessments laid upon the City for the use of the Cochituate Water in the several wards of the City. Read and laid upon the table. In Common Council June 30. Read and placed on file. — Public Buildings — Water.

An invitation was received from Col. Robert Gourdin, Commander of the Military Escort on the Fourth of July next, for the City Council to accompany — Military Review.

128 hours on the morning of that day. Read, accepted and
June 27, 1853 Sent down. Came up concurred June 30.

Buck Bay Lands.

A message from the Mayor requesting the appointment of a Joint Special Committee to confer with the Board of Commissioners entrusted with the settlement of conflicting interests in the Buck Bay, was read and referred to the Mayor, Aldermen Read and Sleeper, with such as the Common Council may join with full power to take such action in the premises as they may deem expedient and necessary. Sent down for concurrence. June 30th came up concurred, and Messrs Burrage, Durant, Washburn, Beal, and Thacher were joined in committee.

House of Correction

Communication from the Overseers of the House of Correction requesting that additions may be made to the Female Workshops of that Institution was read, and thereupon it was Ordered, that the Overseers of the House of Correction be and they are hereby authorized to make such additions and repairs on the Female Workshops, as shall be deemed necessary, provided the expense thereof shall not exceed the sum of Seven hundred dollars.

Dean

The Joint Standing Committee on Water to whom was referred the petition of Newell Dean requesting that a proportion of his Water tax be refunded to him, have considered the same and respectfully report, that they think it inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioner, and recommend that he have leave to withdraw his

petition. For the Committee, Benjamin Seaver, Chairman. 429.
Said Accepted. Sent down for concurrence. June 27. 1853.

Ordered: That there be paid Feely
to Thos Feely the sum of One Hundred Dollars in damage
to the Alteration of the grade of Commercial Street upon his
giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all
damages costs and expenses in consequence of said alter-
ation & grade and that the same be charged to the appropria-
tion for Paving.

On the petition of N. T. Mer- Merrill
rill for leave to erect a Steam Engine on Clifton's Wharf, the
Committee on Steam Engines and Furnaces to whom said leave
to withdraw. Read and accepted.

On the petition of James Blake's
Blake and others,- Ordered: That Blake's Court be accepted Court.
and laid out as a Public Highway of this City whenever the
Abuttors shall set their edgestones, lay their sidewalks and
relinquish the same to the City- and save said City harm-
less from all damages in the matter.

The Joint Standing Pope
Committee on the Assessors Department to whom was re-
ferred the petition of William Pope for an abatement of a
portion of the tax assessed upon him and upon the firm of Wil-
liam Pope & Sons- having considered the subject of said petition
Report: That the petitioner appeared before the Committee
and waived all claim for abatement of tax alledged to have
been paid on property which he never owned and inasmuch
as his remedy lies with the Assessors for an abatement of his

law, or that of his firm, whenever he shall make the state-
June 27 1855 ment required by law. The Committee recommend that he
have leave to withdraw. For the Committee. J. Sleeper, Chair-
man. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Came up
concurred June 30th

Plymouth Street. Whereas complaints have been
made to this Board of the existence of a nuisance in the
neighborhood of Plymouth and Northampton Streets, on Harrison
Avenue, occasioned by filthy and stagnant water, which
is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants of that section of
the City and vicinity, and Whereas, this Board are satis-
fied that said nuisance cannot be properly removed or
abated without the assistance or co-operation of the City of
Roxbury in which a portion of the nuisance originates and
exists. Therefore Ordered: That the Committee on Internal
Health (Aldermen Sleeper, Whiting and White) be and they
are hereby appointed to confer with any Committee of the
Mayor and Aldermen of said City respecting said alleged
nuisance; and that they be requested to use all proper
measures for the abatement of the same. Ordered: That
his Honor the Mayor be requested to communicate a copy
of said preamble and order to the Mayor and Aldermen of
Roxbury.

Dwight School House. Ordered: That the Committee on
Public Buildings be and they are hereby authorized to raise
the Dwight School House on Concord Street to a height which
shall conform to the grade of said Street as adopted by the
Mayor and Aldermen October 25. 1852. the expense thereof
not to exceed the sum of Three Thousand Dollars and to be

cussed & the appropriation for Grammar School Houses
laid and will on the Table.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify George A. Taylor of Dorchester to cause his Sidewalk in Dayton Place to be paved with Brick or Flat Stone according to law within ten days from the date hereof. Taylor-Sidewalk Paved

Ordered: That the Committee on the Common be instructed to change the time for the performance of the Music upon the Common on Wednesday and Saturday evenings so that the Bands shall commence to play at 7 o'Clock, and finish at 10 o'Clock, instead of the hours already established by the City Council. Music on the Common

Ordered: That there be paid to John Welles, George A. Fields, Daniel Rhodes, Homer Foster, Elijah Brigham, Silas B. Nightingale, Lucy Dyer and Joshua Mitchell, owners of houses numbered 29. 31. 33. 35. 37. 39. 41. and 43. on Indiana Place, the sum of Three thousand dollars for damages sustained by them respectively in consequence of the alteration of the grade of Indiana Place so soon as said houses shall have been raised to the required grade to the satisfaction of the City Engineer - and on the further condition, that said owners shall give to the City an acquittance and discharge of all costs, damages & expenses in consequence of such change of grade. Indiana Place

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be and they are hereby authorized to purchase a suitable lot of land in Ward No. 3 and erect Ward 3. Ward room

thereon a commodious building which shall contain adequate accommodations for a Ward Room, an Engine House and three or more Primary Schools the expense of the whole not to exceed the sum of Seventeen Thousand Dollars, which shall be divided and charged as follows Four thousand dollars to Engine Houses Five Thousand Dollars to Primary School Houses, and Eight Thousand Dollars to Public Buildings. Referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent down for concurrence. (See page 455.)

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Jones

On the petition of Henry Jones and others Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be directed to have water turned from Hammond to Broadway Streets. Also to have around Central Square.

Border Street.

Bremen & Chelsea Streets.

The Board being satisfied that certain tenements on Chelsea and Bremen Streets are not provided with suitable drains. Therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to William T. Hawes, George Sanborn, Michael Dillon, and Nathaniel Haley, owners thereof, that said owners are hereby required to cause proper and sufficient drains to be constructed for such tenements within six days from the date hereof.

Athens Street

Whereas, by an order passed by this Board on the thirteenth day of June instant, it was declared that the tenements situated on Athens Street and owned by John Odorn and others, were in a state of nuisance, and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, and it was then and thereby ordered that notice in writing be given to said parties to cause the said nuisance then existing in

said premises and consisting of foul and stagnant water 1133.
to be removed within six days from the day of the date of said June 27. 1853.
order by constructing a good and sufficient drain to said
tenements which shall be common for the use of all the in-
habitants thereof, as appears that due notice
was given to said parties pursuant to said order, and that
the said parties have neglected to cause the said nuisance
to be removed, and that the same still remains a nuisance
as before and whereas the said time is now fully ex-
pired: it is therefore, Ordered, That the Superintendent of
Health be and he is hereby directed to cause the said nuis-
ance to be removed forthwith, by constructing a good and
sufficient drain for said tenements which shall be common
and subject to the use of all the inhabitants thereof at the
expense of the said parties benefitted thereby.

On nomination by the Mayor Watchman.
Silas W. Adams was appointed on the Watch, and William Police.
Souther was appointed a Special Police Officer for Williams
Market.

According to the report of the Licenses
Committee on Licenses, certain persons were licensed as Vic-
tuallers, as recorded in the book kept for that purpose.

On the petition of William H. Wallace
Wallace for a license as an Innholder the Committee on
Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

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June 2d 1853 — Miller. On the petition of George Miller and Company for leave to give a series of Concerts in this City the Committee on Licenses reported that the prayer of the petitioners be granted. Read and accepted.

Butler. On the petition of William Butlers and others, that L. St. and certain other Streets at South Boston may be graded the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Harvey — Palmer. On the petitions of Henry Harvey for leave to exhibit certain Natural Curiosities in the Arsenal Yard, and of John Holmes for leave to exhibit a living Skeleton in the Public Garden, the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Auctioneers. Leonard & Co were licensed as Auctioneers of this City for one year from July 1. 1853.

Grant. George F. Cockill was allowed to construct Coal holds beneath the sidewalk in Pearl Street upon the usual conditions.

Intelligence Office. Charles H. Starkey was appointed a keeper of an Intelligence Office in Hanover Street in this City.

Foule. On the remonstrance of Parker Foule and others against licensing Job-Wagons to stand in Bedford Street, the Committee on Licenses reported instructions for the City Clerk to issue all Wagon

Bedford Street, not licensed to stand therein. Read and accepted. 435.

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Leave was granted to A. Page to construct a cess pool in the sidewalk in front of the National Theatre passageway on Traverse Street. Page

Alderman Reed moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the Board changed the hour of performance at the Music on Boston Common. Lost by a vote of three to five. Music

An order authorizing the Directors of the House of Industry to sell to the Commissioners in behalf of the Commonwealth, from the Hospital on Deer Island, such number of Iron Bedsteads as said Directors may deem expedient, provided they obtain cost for the same, the proceeds thereof to be paid into the City Treasury: having been passed in common Council & the Committee on Institutions of both Boston and Deer Island, came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. House of Industry Bedstead

Ordered: That the City Solicitor be directed to take possession of the Estates numbered on a plan of Old Jail Lands 25. 26. 27. 30. and 31 Wall Street, provided the instalments and interest due the City the first of April last, be not paid on or before the fifteenth of July next. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Jail Lands

Ordered: That the Auditor of Accounts be and he hereby is authorized to cause to be printed and distributed for the information of the Inhabitants Report

6. of the City, Twelve thousand five hundred copies of the An-
June 27. 1853. nual [illegible] Report of same, for the financial
year 1852-1853, together with copies of the Treasurer's Accounts
for the same year. Passed in Common Council. Came up for
concurrence. Read and concurred.

Tremont Street Water. Application from the Superintendent of Streets for right to take water from the Hydrants on Tremont Street, for the purpose of watering said Street from the Rail Road Bridge to Roxbury Line. Referred to the Committee on Water in concurrence.

South Bay Lands. The joint Standing Committee on Public Lands, in pursuance of an order adopted in City Council, the 9th ultimo, instructing said Committee to report a plan [illegible] altering & the portion of the
ing the territory owned by the City in the South Bay, to a
suitable elevation above tide water, including the cost of
docks and piers, conformably to a plan which they have
lately submitted to the City Council. Also to report in de-
tail, the probable cost of filling that portion of said terri-
tory lying north of Brookline Street extended to the Com-
missioners line and completing the docks and piers on the
same; and what portion of this work, or of that upon the
whole territory it is expedient to complete at this time and
the probable cost thereof, have given the subject due atten-
tion and respectfully submit the following Report. That
immediately on the subject being committed to them they
referred the whole matter to a Sub-Committee, consisting of
Messrs. Adams, Beal, and Hilton, who caused a survey to be
made of the whole territory owned by the City in the South

ney, in order to ascertain thereby how much of said territory has been filled up agreeably to the plan contemplated in the Evans contract, and how much of the same remains to be done. It appears that 2,275,000 square feet have been filled at an average contract price of about 10 cents and that the whole amount to be paid, [illegible] from the Superintendent of Public Lands in forms the Committee has been disbursed as follows:—

To paid Wm Evans for gravel & mud filling,	$ 221,092.65
" " " " " building Sea Wall,	9,169.74
To 10 per cent additional to be paid,	25,584.70
	$ 255,847.09
To paid Engineer measuring said filling &c.	1,677.83
Thubrael Bills building sea wall,	17,020.20
" by I. Tucker for building sea wall,	17,750.72
To amount balance awarded Evans under his claim for alleged damages,	$ 8,473.15
amount of cost accrued in U. S. Court,	81.77
extra legal services & witness fees,	400.00
witness fee from the arbitrators,	15.44
fees charged by Sidney Bartlett, Nathan Hale, Edward Crane, arbitrators	206.75
	$ 303,362.95
less amount advanced Evans on account of Sea wall to be refunded in the 10 per cent settlement,	8,325.00
Less 160,000 cubic yards gravel used for grading streets in other sections of the City,	44,800.00

438. Less 80,000 cubic yards gravel which
June 27, 1853. may be used for like purposes, 224,00,00 75,525.00

Amount actual cost, $227,837.95

which is about 10 cents per square foot for the whole territory or 13⅓ cents per square foot for the land exclusive of streets.

To complete the whole territory conformably to the plan recommended by the Commissioners, and submitted to the City Council in printed document №35 it will cost, as your Committee believe, the additional sum of 211,934$^{75}/_{100}$ dollars, as appears by the following estimate.

6128 lineal feet wharf wall,	$14.00	$85,792.00
57,330 square feet pile wharf	00.50	28.665,00
182,205 yards gravel filling,	00,31¼	56,939,06
237,115 yards mud filling,	00,20	47423,00
Consolidation of 237,115 yds. mud filling @ 5		1g 917.00
do of gravel filling,	3.198,06	23.115.72
		$211,934.78

Should it be concluded best to adopt said plan, with the exception of the pile wharf, and also, with the exception of filling up the territory to the proposed elevation of 16 feet above tide water, the above estimated amount might be reduced as follows, say

cost of 57,330 feet pile wharf,	$ 28,665,00
cost of 117,651 yards gravel filling,	36,765.94

which sums being deducted will leave the probable cost of completing the territory, $176.503.84

To complete that portion of the territory lying north of Brook-line street; excepting the proposed pile wharf and existing

the cradle of such portion as is already filled to the average 439.
grade of Carlton and upto Aiken sts. the Committee re- June 27, 1853.
mate the probable cost at 111,936-26/100 dollars.

2,000 feet wharf wall	$114.00	$39,200.00
64,554 yards gravel filling,	00.31¼	20,173.12
173,821 yards mud filling.	00.20	34,764.20
Consolidation gravel filling	3,198.06	
do 34,764 yds. mud filling, .049	14,600.88	28,7
Amount		$111,936.26

To complete the territory north of Bockline street, conformably to the foregoing plan, and construct at present only three wharves, it will probably cost 58,936-34/100 dollars.

938 feet wharf wall	$114.00	$13,132.00
43,991 yds. mud filling between Dedham and Canton streets, $0.20.	$8,798.20	
Consolidation, 8,798 $0.12	3,095.16	1,05 0
16,482 yds. mud filling, between Canton and Bockline streets, $0,20	3,296.40	
Consolidation, 3,296, $0,42,	1,384.32	1,680,72
51,169 yds. gravel filling, $0.31¼	15,990,31	
Consolidation, one fifth,	3,198,06	19,188,37
13,385 yds. gravel filling, $0.31¼		4,182,81
17,321 yds. mud filling, Evans wks. $0.20,	3,464,20	
Consolidation, 3,464 yards, $0,12	1,454,88	4,919,08
Amount,		$58,896,31

The foregoing statement and estimate [illegible] the
entire sum of $227,000 has already been expended, and to
complete the proposed improvements upon the whole territory,
conformably to a plan lately recommended to the Council, it

440 will cost the additional sum of say $242,000; or should the
[illegible] proposed pile-work and the proposed elevation of the grade
of the whole tract be dispensed with, the additional cost
would be reduced to the sum of about $17,000. That portion lay-
ing north of Brookline Street, can be completed for $112,000, or
if completed so far as to construct at present but three of the
[illegible] work, the cost will be reduced to less than 60 000. The
investment of so large a sum as $227,000 makes it of pre-
eminent importance that the premises should be, as soon as
possible, rendered available, and contributing to the finan-
cial affairs of the City. The City has taken the position that
the contract with Mr. Evans expired by limitation on the
first day of February last, consequently all work is now
suspended, and the territory remains in an unfinished con-
dition. As to what portion of this work it is expedient to com-
plete at this time, the Committee unanimously recommend
that a contract be concluded for completing such portions as
will render the section lying north of Brookline Street availa-
ble for immediate occupancy. They would have such docks
and piers constructed, and the premises put in such condi-
tion as will invite the attention of parties seeking localities
favorably adapted for the transaction of various mechanical
branches of business. When this section shall have been com-
pleted, it will appear whether it is expedient to proceed to
complete the remaining portion of the territory, and whether
any and what changes from the original plan shall be
adopted in such completion. In conclusion, the Committee do
further recommend that the whole subject matter, with the
estimates herewith submitted, be referred to the Public Yard

Commissioners with authority to decide, after they shall have 1911.
carefully investigated the subject, upon the best plan for June 27. 1853.
completing the improvements on that portion lying north of
Beekline Road, and then proceed to conclude a contract
with such person or persons as they may select, who will
enter into covenant with sufficient security to faithfully per-
form the work and warrant the same for a reasonable
time. All of which is respectfully submitted. Stephen Fitton, Jr.
Per the Committee. Ordered, That the Mayor, under the advice
of the Public Land Commissioners, be authorized to execute a
mutual contract on behalf of the City, for the completion of the
filling of that portion of the City Land in South Bay, lying
northerly [illegible] Ordered That Theodore Otis Commissioner
Fine, and that all documents relating to South Bay Lands,
be referred to said Board. The foregoing Report and Order, being
City Document № 44. Passed in Common Council. Came up for
concurrence. Passed in concurrence.

Ordered; That the sum of State Tax.
[illegible] and is hereby and hereby [illegible]
assessed upon the Polls and Estates of the Inhabitants of this City
to meet said Citys proportional share of the State Tax required
by the Act of the Legislature passed [illegible] 1853. Came in
Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read & concurred.

A certificate was received Salaries
from the Common Council that that branch had concurred
with this Board in establishing the Salaries of each of the
Principal Assessors at $1100. per annum but that said
branch non-concurred in the proposition to fix the Salary of the

1442. Superintendent of Streets at 1100 dollars; Whereupon this Board insisted on its previous vote. Sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned to Wednesday the Sixth day of July next at Four o'Clock, P.M.

[illegible] Special meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Wednesday the Sixth day of July Anno Domini 1853 at 4 o'Clock, P.M.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen Hayden and Whiting.

Everett. Stone Chapel. On the application of B. F. Everett, that special permission may be granted for the interment of the remains of Mrs. Hannah Everett in the family tomb No 19 Stone Chapel, which is claimed as belonging to the heirs of her late father Benjamin Vincent; in view of the peculiar circumstances of the case, Ordered, That special permission be granted for said proposed interment.

Adjourned to four o'Clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the Fifth day of July, Anno Domini, 1853.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Hayes.

Petition of L. E. Romero for leave to keep and sell Second hand articles. Referred to the Committee on Liquors. — Romero

Petition of James Coggin for a lease of Stall in Faneuil Hall Market. Referred to the Committee on the Market. — Coggin

Petition of Cyrus Alger and others that the South Boston Bridges may be lighted with Gas. Referred to the Committee on Lamps. — Alger & others

Petition of the Metropolitan Gas Light Corporation for leave to construct Coal holes under the sidewalk in Mason Street; of George Morey and others, for the same liberty in Washington Street; of Daniel Edgerly for the same liberty in Boylston Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving. — Morey & others. Edgerly.

Petition of John Wheeler for a common Sewer in Murray Court. Referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains. — Wheeler

Petition of Charles E. Wiggin and others that the reward offered for the detection of Incendiaries may be paid to Watchmen or Police Officers who may be entitled to it. Referred to the Mayor. — Wiggin

Petition of the Light Infantry

July 6. 1853. Company of City Guards / Company E. for approval of their Ar-
City Guard. mory at Hanover Hall. Read & the Committee on Public
Buildings on the part of this Board.

A message was received from
Convention the School Committee proposing a Convention to this Board with
School Com^e this Board at four o'Clock, P.M. this day, for the purpose of choos-
ing a member of the School Committee in place of N. B. Rogers,
resigned and this Board having voted to concur in said
proposition, the two bodies met

In Convention.

Member Alderman Cary and Messrs. Keep and Norcross of the School
chosen. Committee were appointed a Committee to collect, sort & count
the votes, who having attended to that duty, reported, that the
whole number of votes was 23. Necessary for a choice 12. Samuel
Abbot had 23 and he was accordingly declared to be elect-
ed. The business of the Convention having been accomplished
the two branches separated.

Independence On motion of Alderman Frost
Order. Voted; That the thanks of the City Council be presented to Tim-
othy Bigelow, Esquire, for the very patriotic and interesting
Oration delivered by him before the Municipal Authorities of
Boston, on the recent celebration of the Seventy Seventh An-
niversary of the Declaration of American Independence: and
that he be requested to furnish a copy of said Oration for publi-
cation. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred July 7th

Escort On motion of Alderman Rich
Voted; That the thanks of the City Council be presented to Col.

Voted accordin, the officers and members of the Fifth Regiment July 6. 1853.
of Artillery, First Brigade, First Division of Massachusetts
Volunteer Militia, and to Captain Isaac H. Wright, the officers
and members of the Boston Light Dragoons, for the brilliant and
efficient Escort they afforded to the Civic Procession on the occas
ion of the 77th anniversary of the Declaration of American Independence. Sent down for
concurrence. Came up concurred July 7th

On motion of Alderman Marshals
Rich Voted: That the thanks of the City Council be presented to
George R. Simpson, Esquire, Chief Marshal, and to his Aids and
Assistants for the prompt and successful discharge of their arduo
us duties in the arrangement, formation and direction of the
Municipal Procession on the occasion of the 77th anniver
sary of our National Independence. And down for concurrence
Came up concurred July 7th

On motion of Alderman Old South
Ford Voted: That the thanks of the City Council be presented Union
to the Proprietors of the "Old South Church" for their kindness
and courtesy in granting to the City Government the gratuitous
use of that time honored edifice for the performance of the appro=
priate services on the occasion of the recent Anniversary of
the Declaration of American Independence. Sent down for concurrence
Came up concurred, July 7th

The Joint Standing Com= Treasurers
mittee on the Treasury Department to whom was referred the accounts.
Statements of account of the City and County Treasurer for the
financial year ending April 30th 1853. having attended to
the duty assigned them, Report: That they have examined the

446 Treasurer's Accounts comparing the several items with the
July 6. 1853 entries in the books of the Office and find the same to be
correctly vouched and accurately Cast. The amount of
Bonds and Notes on hand on the 30th April last was Eight
hundred and seventy two thousand, six hundred seventy four
dollars and fifteen cents ($872,674 15/100). The amount of Cash on
hand at the same date was Three hundred eighteen thousand
six hundred eighty three dollars and fifty five cents. Jacob
Keeper. Farnham Plummer. Thomas Sprague. Joel Richards.
In Common Council. Read and accepted. Came up for concur-
rence. Read and concurred.

Convention Treasurer. A message was received from the Common Council proposing a Convention of both branches of the City Council on Thursday evening next at eight o'clock and twenty minutes, for the choice of a City and County Treas-urer and Collector; read, and thereupon Ordered: that a mes-sage be sent to the Common Council to inform that branch that this Board concurs in the foregoing proposition.

Select Festival Report of the Select Committee that it is expedient to hold the Annual School Festival of the Public Schools and Teachers, the Public School Grounds that on the 20th of July instant and requesting the Board to adopt the appropriate measures to defray the expense thereof,— were read, and thereupon, Ordered: That the Mayor and the President of the Common Council be instructed to confer with the Committee of the Grammar School Committee who have in charge the subject of the Annual Festival of the Teachers and Medal Scholars, and to make all needful arrangements for the

said Festival to be held on the 26th of July instant, and that the expense thereof be charged to the appropriation for Schools. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred July 7th

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Communication from the School Committee respecting the Dwight School House establishing the necessity of increased accommodations therein. Read and referred to the Committee on Public Instruction. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred July 7th.

Dwight School house

The Committee on Water, to whom was referred the application of the Superintendent of Streets for right to take water from the Hydrants on Tremont Street for the purpose of watering said Street and likewise that two more Hydrants be placed on Tremont street, beg leave respectfully to report that the same be granted on the following terms and conditions, viz. That the City shall not be liable for any damage that may accrue to the Hydrants or Pipes by reason of the water being taken therefrom, and that the Superintendent of Streets shall pay to the City Treasurer the sum of Twenty five dollars annually for the privilege granted. Provided however that the City Council shall have the power to annul this grant at any time they may think proper. For the Committee, Benjamin Seaver, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Water for Tremont St.

Whereas, by an agreement made between the City of Boston and Josiah Quincy on the first day of November last in relation to the City Wharf which was made in pursuance of an order of the City Council passed on the twenty third day of October last, it was provided among other things that if the said Quincy or his executors administrators or assigns should at any time sell or assign his interest in any portion of said Slade, and should give notice of the same in writing to the City Solicitor, the said City would, as to such portions, upon the written request of said Quincy, his heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, and at

Quincy-City Wharf.

478. his or their sole expense execute and deliver agreements to
July 6. 1853. convey such portions to such purchasers or assignees upon the
same terms and conditions as are contained in said agree-
ments and would receive therefor suitable bonds of such purcha-
ser or assignee for the amount of such sales or assignments
so made by said Quincy, his heirs, executors, administrators
or assigns; such bonds should be similar in form to the one
then executed by said Quincy, the penal sum to be twice
the amount of the purchase money, and the payment to be
made annually, in such equal sums, that the whole
amount would be paid within eighteen years from November
1st 1852. And the same should operate as a discharge pro
tanto of said Quincy, his heirs, executors, administrators or
assigns of the amount agreed to be paid by him. Provided
however, that no such arrangement should be made, unless
the City Council for the time being should pass a vote, de-
claring that in their judgement, the residue of said property
would be ample security for what might be due from said
Quincy, his heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, on
his bond to the City; and provided also that the description
of territory so sold or assigned should be made by the City En-
gineer for the time being, or by some person appointed by the
Mayor of the City of Boston; and provided also, that the
said Quincy his heirs, executors administrators or assigns
should execute and deliver to the City of Boston a re-
lease of the land so sold or assigned by him; and whereas
it appears by the written notice of said Quincy, that he has
made sale of the following portion of the said estate, to wit:
bounded westwardly, by a line parallel with the eastern

line of Commercial Street and one hundred and twenty 1149.
feet distant therefrom, eighty six feet; northwardly, by the north- July 6. 1853.
erly line of Store No. 1 Building, in the western portion of said
wharf, one hundred and thirty one feet and four inches;
eastwardly, by a straight line, seventy one feet and four
inches; and southwardly, by a straight line, one hundred
and thirty two feet and four inches; containing about ten
thousand, three hundred and forty six Square feet, therefore
Ordered: That in the indorsement of the said Quincy be tak-
den as the said property is ample security for what may be
due from said Quincy, his heirs, executors, administra-
tors or assigns, on his bond to the City, and the Mayor is
authorized to execute and deliver a suitable agreement
to the purchaser. That said Quincy and to receive five per cent of
the purchase money, and their bond for the balance, and
the same when received shall be applied to the payments
to be made by the said Quincy on his bond to the City, in
the order in which they become due and payable. Whereas,
it has been represented that the said purchasers may desire
to pay cash for the whole purchase & their bonds; that
they be allowed so to do at any time within one year after
May 1st 1853, by giving twenty days notice of their intention
to that effect and their bonds to the City may contain stipula-
tions to that effect. Ordered: That the said purchasers be
required to give a bond to erect on the said premises, within
one year after May 1st 1853 to the satisfaction of the Mayor
for the time being, five Stores, which shall not cost less, in the
whole, than thirty two thousand dollars. - Passed. Sent down
for concurrence. Came up concurred July 7.

July 6. 1853. House of Industry. Iron Bedsteads.

The Committee on Institutions at South Boston and Deer Island to whom was referred the accompanying order relating to the sale of Iron Bedsteads at the Deer Island Hospital, have considered the same and beg leave respectfully to Report: That there are at the Hospital about 1200 Iron Bedsteads, a much larger number than is now required or than will probably be wanted for a long time to come; especially as it is expected the Commonwealth will relieve the Institution of a large portion of its inmates during the ensuing Autumn. The Committee are confident in the opinion that no loss will accrue to the City from the sale of a portion of these bedsteads, when if it should be found ne- [illegible] of others. They therefore recommend the passage of the order submitted to them. For the Committee, Benjamin Seaver, Chairman. Ordered: That the Directors of the House of In- dustry be, and they are hereby authorized to sell to the Com- missioners on behalf of the Commonwealth, from the Hospital on Deer Island, such number of Iron bedsteads as said Directors may deem expedient, provided they obtain cost for the same the proceeds thereof to be paid into the City Treasury. Read accepted and the order passed. Sent down for concurrence

[illegible] Hospital.

The Committee on Ordinances respectfully recommend the adoption of the accompanying [illegible] Lunatic Hospital. The Committee would state that their only object in making this report, is, to avoid the ambiguity in the language of the existing Ordinance and to prevent any misunderstan-

and which may possibly arise from it. To the Committee on Jumpers and Chairmen. Read, accepted and the Ordinance passed to be ordained in the usual way for that purpose. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred July 7. July 6. 1853.

Laurence North Market Street.

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Grounds to whom was referred the petition of Hobart Laurence and others praying that certain conditions in the conveyance of land on the north side of North Market Street made by the City, may be released, have attended to their duty and Report: That all the conditions referred to have been complied with, that said conditions existing as they do upon the records are a source of perplexity to the present proprietors, and have a tendency to prevent such alterations in the buildings, as modern improvements seem to require, and which the owners are desirous of making. They therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying order. To the Committee. Benjamin Seaver, Chairman. Ordered: That the Mayor be authorized to execute a release, on behalf of the City of Boston, of the conditions contained in the deeds of the City to the several purchasers of lands on North Market Street agreeably to the petition of Hobart Laurence and others; which release shall contain the assent thereto of the present owners of the said lands, and be executed by all the said owners. Read accepted and the order passed. Sent down for concurrence.

Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances be instructed to consider and report, if they deem it expedient, an amendment to the Ordinance in relation

lowing, & that the sums received from abutters for construct-

July 6. 1853. ing and repairing Sidewalks, be collected by the Superintend-
ent of Streets and that the same be paid immediately over to
the Treasurer and be added to the appropriation for Paving.
Sent down for concurrence.

Public Buildings. The Committee on Ordinances who were instructed to consider the expediency of reporting an ordinance in addition to the ordinance concerning Public Buildings, recommend the adoption of the accompanying Ordinance. For the Committee, Sampson Reed, Chairman. Passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred July 7. Said Ordinance being recorded in the book of Ordinances.

Robinson's Alley. Whereas it appears to this Board that certain tenements situated on Robinson's Alley and belonging to Daniel Bowker are in a state of nuisance and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants; it is therefore Ordered, That a notice in writing be given to the said Bowker that he cause the nuisance existing on said premises consisting of foul and filthy water to be removed within five days from this date, by constructing a proper and sufficient drain for said tenements to him belonging which shall be common and subject to the use of all the inhabitants thereof.

Eaton - Fenox Street. On the petition of George Eaton and others;- Ordered: That Fenox Street as at present laid out be accepted as a public Street and Highway of this City, provided the abutters on the southerly side will lay the same out and build thereon, agreeably to a plan submitted by said abutters, and provided the abutters on the

north and south sides of said Street will set their edgestones, lay their sidewalks and release the City from all damages in consequence of said acceptance. 1853. July 6. 1853.

Whereas Samuel Sanford has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Atkinson Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That no notice be given to the said Samuel Sanford that this Board intend to widen the said Street as mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Street, and that Monday, the eleventh day of July instant, at four o'clock, P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto. Sanford. Atkinson St.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a certain tenement situated on East Orange & Washington Streets and belonging to Josiah L. Fairbanks is in a state of nuisance and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants; it is therefore Ordered, That a notice in writing be given to the said Fairbanks that he cause the nuisance existing on said premises and consisting of standing water to be removed within five days from this date by causing a proper and sufficient drain to be constructed for said tenement. Fairbanks. East Orange & Washington Sts.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a certain tenement situated on corner of East & Cove Streets and belonging to William Ryan is in a state of Ryan. East & Cove Sts.

454. nuisance and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants; it
Mar 6 1855 is therefore Ordered That a notice in writing be given to
the said Ryan that he cause the nuisance existing on
said premises and consisting of foul and filthy water to be
removed within five days from this date, by causing a proper
and sufficient drain to be constructed for said tenement.

Dover Street. Whereas, it appears to this Board, that certain lots of land situated north of Dover Street, between Middlesex, Emerald, Village and Albion Streets, and belonging to Warren Hide William Gale Hugh Huntington Thomas Brewer, heirs of Wm. F. White, heirs of William Gardiner George Sparhawk, and heirs of Edward Tuckerman, are in a state of nuisance, and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants: Therefore Ordered That a notice in writing be given to the said parties That they cause the said nuisance existing on said premises, and consisting of foul and stagnant water to be removed within ten days from the date hereof, by filling up the same with good coarse gravel or sand so that the same may be properly drained.

Franklin Johnson Winthrop Schools. Communication from the School committee, being bill 2 Council No 18, proposing the consolidation of the Franklin, Johnson, and Winthrop Schools. Referred to the Committee on Public Instruction. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred July 7.

Library. Ordered: That the Committee on the Library in conjuction with the Board of Trustees be requested to select a site for a library, secure the refusal of

the same and report to the Council. Passed in Common | 455.
Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. | July 6 1853.

The Common Council having | Music.
amended the order of this Board dated June 27th concerning
Music on the Common, by inserting at "A." "such hours as
the Committee may deem expedient;" said action came
up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

The Common Council having | Ward room
nonconcurred in the reference to the order providing for the erec- | Ward No 9.
tion of a Ward Room &c. in Ward No 9, (as recorded on page 431.
of this volume,) to the Committee on Finance; and said Board
having passed the order, said action came up for concurrence.
Read and concurred.

Ordered: That the Committee | Unity
on Lamps be instructed to place a lamp on Unity Court and | Court
one in Branch Avenue between Charles and Spruce Streets, and | Branch Av:
one also at the upper end of said Avenue.

Ordered: That the Superinten- | Friend
dent of Common Sewers be and he is hereby authorized to con- | & Canal
nect the Common Sewer in Friend Street, with the Common Sew- | Streets.
er in Canal Street and to assess the cost thereof on the estate
benefitted.

Report of the Captain of the Watch | Watch
for the quarter ending June 30 1853. Read and placed on file.

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Auctioneer

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses, George R. Richborn was appointed an Auctioneer of this City.

Sanderson

Doane St.

On the petition of Sanderson, Brother & and others Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be and he is hereby directed to cause Doane street to be paved.

Tuckerman

Brattle Street.

On the petition of Edward Tuckerman and others, the Committee on Paving reported that the Southerly sidewalk of Brattle Street be widened under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Superintendent of Streets, and at the expense of the abutters, as prayed for. Read and accepted.

Common

lamps on

Alderman Rich offered the following order. Ordered: That the Committee on Lamps be instructed to have all the small street lamps removed from the Common and from the Streets about the same, and to have the largest sized lamps put in their place. Read and laid upon the table.

Newhall

On the petition of John Newhall and others that the sidewalk on the Southerly side of Prince Street may be paved the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Wilkins

Water Street.

On the petition of John H. Wilkins and others that the Water Street sewer may be enlarged, the Committee on Sewers and Drains reported that as the necessary steps have been taken for the removal of the evil complained of, the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read & accepted.

Agreeably to the reports of | 457.
the Committee on Licenses certain persons were licensed as | July 6. 1853.
Victuallers, as recorded in the book kept for that purpose. | Licenses.

A conveyance of land ad- | Holman.
jacent to the Line of the Water Works in Needham from the
City of Boston to Ralph H. Holman was approved by the Board.

Adjourned to Thursday next, tomorrow, at 8 o'Clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of
Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City
Hall on Thursday the Seventh day of July A. D. 1853.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen Gary
and Whiting.

The two branches of the City
Council having met in
Convention

Aldermen Frost and | Election
James, and Messrs. Sprague, Hall and Thorndike were ap-
pointed a Committee to collect, sort and count the votes for
a City and County Treasurer and Messrs. [illegible]

458. attended to that duty reported that the whole number of ballots was 49. Frederic H. Storey had 49. and he was accordingly declared to be elected.

The two branches of the City Council then separated, and the Board of Mayor and Aldermen

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'Clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Eleventh day of July, Anno Domini, 1853.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Alderman Whiting.

Hammett — Petition of J. A. Sumner and others, that Washington Street may be widened between Canton and Newton Streets. Referred to the Mayor

Crane — Petition of Thomas Kane and Daniel Carey for leave to collect and buy old junk. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Welch — Petition of Welch and Thomas for leave to exhibit a Painting of Cuba. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Montague — Petition of D. Montague Jr. for leave to exhibit some Elks and Oxen in Haymarket Square. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of David S. Dyer to be paid for the damage sustained by the change of grade in Commercial Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving. | Feb 11. 1856 | Dyer.

Petition of Samuel K. Spinney and others that the "Old Road" so called, between Broadway and Fourth Streets may be paved. Referred to the Committee on Paving | Spinney | Old Road.

Petition of Thomas Sinclair that a Gas-Lamp be placed and lighted at the corner of Pine Street and Sinclair Court. Referred to the Committee on Lamps. | Sinclair

Petition of James Leys for abatement of a nuisance in Morton Place. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health. | Leys

Petition of P. H. Slane & others for the use of Faneuil Hall on the third of August next, wherein to hold a Civic and Military Banquet. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board. | Slane. | Faneuil | Hall.

Communication from H. H. Blackmere suggesting a plan for a Public Bathing House. Referred to the Committee on Water. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred July 14. | Blackmere. | Bath.

Petition of the United States Marine Hospital that the Cochituate Water may be furnished to that Institution. Referred to the Committee on Water. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred July 14 | U. S. Marine | Hospital.

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Welch Spendthrift

It appearing to the Board upon the representations of Peter Thatcher and others that Wilson J. Welch of this City is a Spendthrift, and so misspends and wastes his estate as will render him liable, with his family, to be a burden and charge upon the City, a petition to the Judge of Probate for this County was signed by the Board praying that a Guardian may be appointed for said Welch as by the Statute is made & provided.

Christ Church Cemetery

Petition of Wardens & Vestry of Christ Church that said Church may be exempted from the terms of the order forbidding interments within the City. Referred to the Committee on Cemeteries.

City Solicitor. Estates. Lands.

Ordered: That the City Solicitor be directed to take possession of all such Estates as have been sold by the City and upon which instalments have fallen due and remain unpaid, provided said instalment and interest be not paid on or before the 15th July next; previous notice to be given to all said delinquents. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

School District No 10

Ordered: That the sum of Fifteen dollars be appropriated for the purchase of a library for Primary School No 6. District No 10. the same to be expended under the direction of the Chairman of the Committee of that District, and the same to be charged to Incidental Expenses of Primary Schools. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Ordered: That the Salary of the Superintendent of Streets shall be at the rate of twelve hundred dollars per annum. And the Committee on Paving shall have the power to furnish him with a Horse & chaise at the expence of the city and have the same kept at the city Stable for which they shall approve the bills, and no other expenses shall be allowed for this officer unless by special action of the City Council. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred with the following amendment at A. Strike out "twelve" and insert "fourteen". Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred July 14. July 11 1853. Streets Supt. Salary.

The report of the Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands relating the prayer & the petition of Hobell Laurence and others respecting the Store in North Market Street, came up from the Common Council with the following order for concurrence:- Ordered that the within report be recommitted to the Committee on Public Lands with instructions to report a uniform plan, to be furnished by the petitioners, for the buildings, which will be satisfactory to the owners and abutters, and at the same time improve the architectural beauty of the Street together with all the restrictions on said land. Read and concurred. Laurence et. al. Petition. North Market Street.

Ordered: That the Board of Public Land Commissioners be instructed to sell at Public Auction the Arsenal estate on Pleasant Street, excepting so much thereof as may be sufficient to contain a building suitable for the deposit of a Battery. Referred in Common Council to the Arsenal Estate

Committee on Public Lands. Came up for concurrence, Read and nonconcurred in said reference, and the order passed with the following amendment at 4. Strike out all after the word Thad. Sent down for concurrence.

Fourth of July

A communication was received from Timothy Bigelow, Esquire, tendering to the Municipal Authorities a copy of the Oration pronounced by him at the recent celebration of the Anniversary of the Declaration of American Independence. Read and Voted, that the communication be referred to the celebration of the 77th anniversary of the Declaration of American Independence, be instructed to print with the Oration of Timothy Bigelow, Esq. such portion of the proceedings of that day as they shall judge expedient. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Warren Bridge

On the matter of notice to Jamaica Plain of the proposed widening of Warren Bridge it appearing to the Board that the land had already been taken by a previous board, the subject was laid upon the table.

Charles River and Warren Bridges

A communication from the City Solicitor enclosing the commission appointed upon Charles River and Warren Bridges was read and referred to Aldermen James White and Whiting with such as the Common Council may join, with full power to take such action in the premises as they shall deem expedient. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred July 11th and Messrs Kelly, Stearns, Kelly, J. G. Rice, and Winter were joined.

Report of the Chief of Police for the quarter ending June 30. 1853. was read and sent down. In Common Council. placed on file. July 11. 1853. Police.

Report of the Port Physician. Physician
Viewing that he had examined vessels bringing 6569 passengers for the quarter ending June 30. 1853. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Read and placed on file.

An order of the Common Council appointing Alfred Gardner Sprague Enkins Enoch. Dr mend, Goodwin, and Cummings, with such as the Mayor and Aldermen may join, a Committee to make arrangements for the annual visit of the City Council to the Islands in the Harbor, and the expense thereof to be charged to Incidental Expenses and Miscellaneous Claims. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Curry, Rich, White and Frost were joined. Harbor Excursion

The following persons were allowed to construct coal holes under their respective sidewalks upon the usual conditions_ Daniel Edgerly in Barton Street; George Morey and others in Washington Street; the Boston Theatre Corporation in Mason Street. Edgerly. Morey. Boston Theatre.

The Mayor to whom was referred the petition of Charles E. Wiggin and others that the City Police and Watch may be entitled to the reward offered by the City for the detection of Incendiaries, reported, that as it is now the duty of the Watch and Police to use their utmost vigilance for the detection of incendiaries, it is not expedient Wiggin. Reward.

761. to grant the prayer of the petitioners. Read and accepted.

July 11. 1853.

Wheeler. The Committee on Sewers & Drains to whom was referred the petition of John Wheeler for a common Sewer in Murray Court, reported, that inasmuch as said Court is private property and has not been accepted by the City, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Avery On the petition of Henry Avery and others for the removal of certain "Duck barns" from the north side of Commercial Wharf, the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Hanson Ordered: That the Superinten-

Street dent of Streets be instructed to have Hanson Street filled up and graded in conformity with an order passed by this Board April 4. 1853.

Tremont Ordered: That the Superinten-

Street dent of Streets be instructed to have Tremont Street, between Dover Street and the Roxbury Line, filled up and widened in conformity with an order passed by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen in 1852.

Whereas it appears to this Board

Wharf Street that a certain drain situated on Wharf Street and belonging to Ellen Durant, John Bacon, Michael Flynn, Patrick Boyle, Thomas Barr, Samuel Sanford, heirs of Elizabeth Ewins, Ann Maxwell, Thomas C. Emery, heirs of Luther Ellis, William T. Ellis is in a state of nuisance and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants: it is therefore Ordered, That a notice in

ordered to be given to the said parties that they cause the nuis- July 11, 1853.
ance existing on said premises and consisting of a small
and detached dwelling to be removed within ten days from
this date, or cause the same to be repaired and put in such
order as shall be ordered for their several tenements which shall be common
and the inhabitants thereof.

Samuel F. Coolidge and N. H. Furness were appointed Auctioneers of this City. Auctioneers

Whereas B. B. Mussey has giv- Mussey.
en notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on How- Howard
ard Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, Street.
the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that
the said Street should be widened at the place described in
the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be
given to the said Mussey that this Board intend to widen
the Street as mentioned in taking a part of the ground
now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out
the same as a public Street; and that Monday the eigh-
teenth day of July inst. at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as
the time for hearing any objections which may be made
thereto.

The Board being satisfied Tyler.
that certain tenements on Tyler street, being number 141. 145. Tyler Street
145. on said Street, are not provided with suitable vaults.
Therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to Samuel Rice
owner or agent thereof, that he be hereby required to cause
proper and sufficient vault to be constructed for such tene
ments, which shall be constructed at least two feet from

466. the line of each adjoining State, within ten days from the
July 11. 1853. date hereof.

Ordered: That there be paid to
Church Stet. James Daily the sum of One Hundred Dollars for damages
sustained from the change of grade in Church Stred, upon
his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all
damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said chan-
in grade and that the same be charged to the appropria-
tion for Paving.

Parkman. Ordered: That there be paid
Church Stret. to Heirs of Geo. Parkman the sum of Five Hundred Dol=
-lars for damages to their estate in consequence of the
change of grade in Church Stred upon their giving to the
City an acquittance and discharge for all damages &
and expenses in consequence of said change of grade, and
that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving.

Dyer Ordered: That there be paid to
Church Stret. H. M. Dyer the sum of Two hundred and fifty Dollars for
damages sustained from the change of grade in Church
Stred, upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge
for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of
said change in grade; and that the same be charged to
the appropriation for Paving.

Ordered: That there be paid
Church Stret. to [illegible] the sum of Eight hundred and twenty five
Dollars for damages to his house and shop in consequence
of the change of grade in Church Stret, upon his giving to
the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages

costs and expenses in consequence of said change in grade; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving. July 11. 1853.

Ordered: That there be paid to Mary A. Morgan the sum of Four hundred and fifty dollars for damages sustained from the change of grade in Church Street, upon her giving to the City an acquittance & discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving. Morgan. Church St.

Ordered: That there be paid to Mary Ann Ellis the sum of One thousand Four [illegible] damages sustained from the change of grade in Church Street upon her giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving. Ellis. [illegible] rescinded

Ordered: That there be paid to John White the sum of Five hundred dollars for damages sustained from the change of grade in Church Street, upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving. White. Church St.

Ordered: That there be paid to George Bailey the sum of Four hundred and fifty Dollars for damages to his house and drain, in consequence of the change of grade in Church Street, upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, Bailey. Church St.

168. costs and expenses in consequence of said change of grade,
July 11. 1853. and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving.

Weld. Ordered: That there be paid to
Church Street. John G. Weld, Guardian the sum of Five Hundred dollars
for damages sustained from the change of grade in Church
Street upon his giving to the City an acquittance and
discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in conse-
quence of said change of grade; and that the same be
charged to the appropriation for Paving.

Mc Carty. On the petition of Michael
Church Street Mc Carty to be paid for the damage sustained by him from
the change of grade in Church Street the Committee on Pav-
ing reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Page. Ordered: That there be paid
Church Street. to Gilman Page the sum of Five hundred and forty Dollars
for damages sustained from the change of grade in Church
Street, upon his giving to the City an acquittance and dis-
charge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence
of said change in grade; and that the same be charged to
the appropriation for Paving.

Pollard. Ordered: That there be paid
Church Street. to Luther Pollard the sum of Five hundred and twenty five
Dollars for damages sustained from the change of grade in
Church Street, upon his giving to the City an acquittance and
discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence
of said change in grade; and that the same to the appropriation for Paving.

Ordered: That there be July
paid to Sigd A. Hall the sum of One hundred & seventy five July 11. 1853.
Dollars for damages sustained from the change of grade in "Ist"
Church Stred, upon his giving to the City an acquittance and Church Stred.
discharge for all damages, costs and expences in consequence
of said change in grade; and that the same be charged to
the appropriation for Paving.

Ordered: That there be Preston-
paid to Jonathan Preston, the sum of One hundred and Church St:
fifty dollars in full for services rendered in estimating damages
sustained by claimants in consequence of the alteration of
the grade of Church Stred - the same to be charged to the appro-
priation for Paving &c.

The following order came Alms House
up from the Common Council for concurrence; Ordered: at Deer
That the Committee on the Institutions at South Boston and Island.
Deer Island A be authorized if they deem it expedient to remove removal to
the inmates from the B other buildings under their charge or
any portion of them: and with such new comers as may be
placed in their care, into the brick building on Deer Island,
at such time C during the summer or fall as they may think
the interest of the City and the comfort and safety of the in-
mates may be thereby most promoted. - Alderman Frost moved
to lay the subject upon the table until the next meeting of
the Board; - Lost, four voting in the affirmative and four
in the negative. Alderman Frost then moved to amend the
order by striking out all after the words other buildings and
inserting "House of Industry". - Adopted, four voting in the af-
firmative and three in the negative. - Alderman Rich moved

470 to amend the order by inserting at A "in consultation with
Dec 11 1855. the Directors of these Institutions" which was adopted. Alderman
Frost then moved to amend the order still further by strik-
ing out at C the words "during the summer or fall" and in-
serting the words "after the Commonwealth shall have taken
charge of their paupers and shall have received them
into their own institutions." Lost- four voting in the affirm-
ative and four in the negative. A still further amendment,
to insert the words "of foreign birth" after the word inmates,
having been rejected, the question recurred upon the pas-
sage of the order as amended, and the Yeas and Nays being
required thereon, they were taken as follows, viz: Yeas, the
Mayor, Aldermen James, Reed, Rich, and White. 5- Nays-
Aldermen Morse, Clay and Frost 3. So the Board concur-
red in the passage of the order as amended. Sent down
for concurrence.

City Clerk to carry records out of the State.

A communication was receiv-
ed from the City Clerk stating that he had been summon-
ed to attend the United States Court at Newport, R.I. as a
witness in the case of Thomas Richardson vs. the City of
Boston, and that he was required to carry either one or
more volumes of the plans and records of the City of Boston,
for which he requested the consent and approbation of the
Board.- Read and thereupon Ordered: That leave be granted
for the City Clerk to carry out of the precincts of the City and
Commonwealth such volumes of the plans and records of
the City as may be required as evidence in the foregoing case.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Lynn held at City Hall on Tuesday the Fourth day of July A.D. one thousand 1855.

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Whiting.

Franklin, Johnson, Windrop & Dwight School houses

The Committee on Public Instruction to whom were refered the report of the Grammar School Committee in the consolidation of the Franklin Johnson and Windrop Schools; and also the report of the same Committee in relation to certain alterations in the Dwight School House, ask leave to Report; the Committee have personally examined the several School House in which it is proposed to make improvements, and also other houses now constructed upon the plan approved by the School Committee. The Committee say in their report that "the Johnson School house is the smallest Grammar School building in the city it being only forty feet by sixty, and three stories high. It is at present, wholly unfit for a School, the stairways being very narrow and crooked and in case of alarm among the pupils would be very dangerous. In the large rooms there are three classes required to have recitations at the same time, and their voices, or to take turns in conducting recitations, and either course greatly retards the progress of the pupils. Some important alterations ought to be made in this House whether the building is enlarged or not. But the house is situated in so pleasant a place, and is so central, as to make it easily accessible to all who live in the district proposed to be made by the change that your Committee recommend that an entire

ment of the house as to furnish four rooms on a floor, and a
Nov 12. 1855. large hall in an additional story. This house will then contain ample accommodations for as many pupils as the Quincy School House." The Committee on Public Instruction concur in the views above expressed, as to the character and condition of the Dwight School House. They have however come to the conclusion, that in view of all the facts it would be wisest to build a new house than to attempt to alter and repair the old one. The estimated cost of the proposed alterations is understood to be about $15,000, but it would still be an old house. It is supposed that for twenty five thousand dollars a new house may be constructed of ample size and on the most approved plan; and the Committee are unanimous in the opinion that the interests of the City require the erection of such a building. The sum of $30,000 has been appropriated for Grammar School houses the present year. Of this sum it is proposed to devote $3000 for the purpose of raising the Dwight school house, this is rendered necessary in consequence of the change of the grade of the street and the impossibility at present of draining the water from the cellar of the building. But this expenditure was not contemplated by the School Committee when they asked for their appropriation. Neither had the School Committee contemplated the alteration now proposed by them in the Dwight School house, till it was deemed necessary by the Committee on Public Buildings to raise the house; and of course no appropriation was asked for the purpose of making these alterations. But when the City Council determined to raise the building, the plan of having the other improvements made at the same time was acted

naturally suggested. It would probably be attended with a saving of expense, and what is perhaps of as much importance, with a saving of time, if the whole work should be done at once, and not at two distinct periods. The Committee are unanimous in the opinion that the proposed alterations in the Dwight and Franklin School Houses are very desirable, and are debarred from recommending them at the present time, only in consequence of the insufficiency of the appropriation. For this insufficiency the Grammar School Committee are not in fault as they did not contemplate the building of a new School house in the place of the Brimmer and could not foresee that the City Council would decide to raise the Dwight School house the present year, which would render it expedient to make the other alterations at the same time. In viewing the Brimmer School House which was divided into separate rooms and otherwise improved the last year, the Committee on Public Instruction were much pleased with the improvements, and Mr. Bates, the Master of the School, bore testimony to the decided advantages resulting from them. The Committee could not but regret however, in common with the Master, that another story had not been added to the building at the same time, which would have afforded a large hall for the accommodation of the pupils in their music, exhibitions &c. Our best School houses are provided with such a hall and it is found to be extremely useful; and the Committee consider the addition of another story to the Dwight & Franklin School houses for this purpose, as very desirable, whenever they are otherwise altered, as they doubtless will be at no distant day. Should the new house be built in the place

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of the Johnson the Winthrop School House will be vacated by the Grammar School, and placed by the Grammar School Board, at the disposal of the City Council. Could the proceeds or value of this Estate be added to the appropriation of $30,000, the sum would probably be equal to that required not only for a new house in the place of the Johnson but for all the other improvements contemplated. In conclusion the Committee would recommend the adoption of the accompanying order. For the Committee, Sampson Reed. Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings, in consultation with the Committee on Public Instruction and the Grammar School Committee, be and they hereby are authorized to erect upon the site of the present Johnson School House in Tremont Street, a new and commodious edifice, which shall be fully adequate to the accommodation of Seven hundred pupils, at an expense not exceeding the sum of twenty five thousand dollars, to be charged to the appropriation for Grammar School Houses. Read, accepted and the order passed. Sent down for concurrence. Same ag concurred July 25.

Washington Street. Thorndike-Richardson-Moseley.

Whereas this Board by a Resolve passed the 2d day of May took a certain parcel of land, therein described, lying on Washington Street and laid out the same as a public street or way of said City, it is therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to J. P. Thorndike, Fanny Richardson, Frances Ann Moseley and all other persons interested as owners, proprietors, tenants, occupants, or otherwise, in said land that they cut off, pull down, remove and carry away all buildings, erections and obstructions of every sort standing on and projecting over the line of said Washington

street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, or, move and set back the same to the said line, and vacate and surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid on or before the twenty-fifth day of July instant. And in default thereof, the Chief of Police is hereby directed and empowered forthwith to enter upon said land and cause all buildings, erections and obstructions standing on and projecting over the line of said Washington street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down, removed and carried away, or to be moved and set back to said line, and the said land to be vacated and surrendered under the direction of the Committee on laying out and widening Streets.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Thursday the fourteenth day of July, Anno Domini 1853.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Rich.

New Home.

Alderman Whiting, who was absent at the last meeting of the Board, moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the order, as amended, for the removal of the inmates from the House of Industry to the New Alms House at Deer Island, was passed; and the Yeas & Nays, being required on said motion, were taken as follows, viz:

Yeas - Aldermen Sleeper, Read, Whiting, Cary, White and Frost - 6.

170 Nays The Mayor, and Alderman James 2. So said motion prevailed and the order was laid upon the table.

The Board then adjourned to Monday next, at Four o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the Eighteenth day of Feb. A. D. 1855.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Frost.

Hendley Petition of James Hendley to be paid for damage sustained by him from the change of grade in Church Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Shaw Petition of Samuel G. Howe to be permitted with the rest of Seamans row the Old Road. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Williams Petition of Moses Williams for leave to construct coal holes under the sidewalk in India Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Wilder. Petition of Mary Ann Wilder for the abatement of a nuisance in Albany Street. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Petition of the Proprietors of | 1777.
the Boston Herald for the payment of certain bills for adver- | July 15. 1853
tising. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for con- | Herald.
currence. Came up concurred July 25th

Petition of the New Eng- | New England
land Guards for approval of their Armory in Franklin | Guards
Avenue; of the Mechanic Engineers for approval of their Ar- | Mechanic
mory in Lincoln Market. Referred to the Committee on Pub- | Engineers
lic Buildings on the part of this Board.

Petition of the Massachu- | Mass: Char
setts Charitable Mechanic Association for the use of the rooms | Mech. Assoc.
over Faneuil Hall. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings
on the part of this Board.

Petition of George Thatch for | Thatch
leave to hold a public meeting upon the Common, was read,
and it was thereupon voted that the petitioner have leave to
withdraw.

The quarterly report of the | City
City Physician for the months of April, May and June, was | Physician.
read and sent down. In Common Council, placed on file.

Petition of Theodore Lyman and | Wetherbee
others, that certain obstructions may be removed from Haver-
hill Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets & Paving

A communication was receiv- | Benham.
ed from Capt. H. W. Benham, U.S. Army, tendering to the Mayor, | Letter.
Aldermen and Common Council, copies of the Survey of Boston
Harbor prepared by the United States Government: Read and

478 Thereupon Ordered: That His Honor the Mayor be requested
July 18. 1853 to return to Capt. Benham the thanks of the City Council for his exceedingly valuable presents to the Municipal Authorities of Boston of the charts of the Harbor of Boston prepared by the U.S. Coast Survey. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Farnsworth Hanover Street. The Board being satisfied that a certain tenement on Hanover Street, being number 204. on said Street, is not provided with a suitable drain. Therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to Amos Farnsworth owner thereof, that said owner is hereby required to cause a proper and sufficient drain to be constructed for such tenement, to be common and subject to the use of all the Inhabitants thereof, within five days from the date hereof.

Welles Causeway St: Whereas, it appears to this Board, that a certain building situated on Causeway Street, number 91 & 93. and belonging to John Welles, is in a state of nuisance, and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, therefore Ordered, That a notice in writing, be given to the said Welles that he cause the said nuisance, existing on said premises and consisting of foul and stagnant water in the cellar of said building, to be removed within five days from the date hereof, by constructing a drain which shall convey said filthy water into the Common Sewer.

Gerrish Blackstone Market. Whereas it appears to this Board that the Blackstone Market situated on Blackstone Street, and belonging to Geo. W. Gerrish is in a state of nuisance and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants; it is therefore Ordered

ed, That a notice in writing be given to the said Gerrish 479.
that he cause the nuisance existing on said premises and July 18.1853
existing a Privy vault and said privy to be removed within
five days from the date from the date of said Notice by
causing a drain to be built on said premises by which said
filthy water may be carried off into the Common Sewer.

Ordered: That the Superin- Turnpike
tendent of Inland Health be and he is hereby directed to Road.
cause a nuisance existing on Turnpike road occasioned by
filthy and stagnant water on land belonging to N. H. Handcom
and the Mechanics Bank, to be abated at the expense of
said parties, by filling up said premises with good coarse
gravel or earth, so that the same may be properly drained:
said parties having neglected to abate said nuisance after
due notice to that effect.

Whereas, by an order passed Lexington
by this Board on the twentieth day of June last, it was de- Place
clared that the premises owned and occupied by [illegible] on Lexington Place
and owned by [illegible] and [illegible] were
in a state of nuisance, and dangerous to the health of the
inhabitants, and it was then and thereby ordered that notice
in writing be given to said parties to cause the said nui-
sance then existing in said premises to be removed within
five days from the day of the date of said order by causing
a proper and sufficient drain to be conducted for said
tenements: And whereas it appears that due notice was
given to said parties pursuant to said order, and that the
said parties have neglected to cause the said nuisance to be

1180. removed, and that the same still remains a nuisance
July 18. 1853 as before; and whereas the said term of five days has expired: It is therefore Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be and he is hereby directed to cause the said nuisance to be removed forthwith, by causing a proper and sufficient drain to be constructed for said tenements at the expense of the said parties.

Montague — Leave was granted to D. Montague & Co. to exhibit some Elks & Oxen in Haymarket Square.

Welch & Thomas. — Leave was granted to Welch and Thomas to exhibit a Painting of Cuba at Amory Hall.

Slane — Faneuil Hall. — On the petition of F. F. Slane and others for the use of Faneuil Hall, wherein to hold a Civic and Military Banquet on August 3d the Committee to whom said subject was referred, reported, that the prayer of the petitioners be granted on the usual conditions. Read and accepted.

D'Arcy. Saratoga Street. — Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M. take into consideration the expediency of constructing a common Sewer in Saratoga Street and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their particular Drains into such common Sewer, or who by any more [illegible] person making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Ordered: That there be paid 481
to David I. Dyer the sum of Twenty five Dollars for damage May 18 1853
sustained from the change of grade in Commercial Street upon Dyer-
his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all Commercial
damages costs and expenses in consequence of said change of Street
grade; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for
Paving.

Ordered; That the Superin- Spinney-
tendent of Streets be and he is hereby directed to cause the Old Road.
culvert to be paved and elevated in the Old road, so called
between Broadway and Fourth Street, South Boston.

Ordered: That the Committee Crossing
on Paving be instructed to have proper crossings of granite blocks Stones.
laid in all the thoroughfares throughout the City, wherever the
Committee may deem it expedient.

Armitage and Greaves and Second
one hundred and fifty other persons were licensed as dealers hand
in Second hand articles as recorded at length in the book articles.
kept for that purpose.

The following persons were Intelligence
licensed to keep Intelligence Offices viz:- Robert Wagner, 578 Offices.
Washington Street - David Cole 28 Indiana Street - Hiram Spear
106 Rochdale Street - C. C. Bernard 78 Common Street Edward
Kehan 12 Battle Square - Frederick Stern 18 Carver Street, and
John Bishop 225 Tremont St:

A Memorial to which were Beecher
attached the names of Seyman Beecher and others praying Liquor Law.
that this Board would take more effectual measures to en-

482. force the present liquor law was read, laid on the table and
July 18. 1853. ordered to be printed.

Watch. On nomination by the Mayor—
Samuel Condon, Richard Lang, and Lyman Wood, were
appointed on the Watch.

Special Police On nomination by the Mayor.
the following were appointed Special Police Officers, who are
employed on the Sabbath and at other times when necessary
James Adams William H. Gunn, Nicol Goodman, Samuel
Dilloway, Charles G. Gregg, James Jellison, Josiah Livermore,
John W. Prentis, Leonard A. Pellis, Geo. R. Richard, Orrick Sook,
James Healy.

Laurenson. Whereas Mary Laurenson's heirs,
North Square by their Attorney D. P. Cochrell, Esq. have given notice to this
Board of their intention to erect buildings on North Square,
in the said city and in the Opinion of the Board the safety
and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said
Square should be widened at the place described in the said
notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given
to the said Mary Laurenson's heirs, through their said Attorney,
that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned,
by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon
as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Street—
and that Monday, the twenty fifth day of July instant, at
four o'clock, P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any
objections which may be made thereto.

Petition of Luke Lennon
concerning the conduct of a member of the North Watch.
Referred to the Mayor.

Whereas, in the opinion of the 483.
Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require July 18 1853.
that Sanford Street should be widened near the corner of North Brown
Newton Street, it is therefore hereby given to James Nightingale Nightingale.
and Ralph T. Brown that this Board intend to widen the Sanford Street.
Street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now
about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as
a public street and that Monday, the twenty fifth day July
instant at four o'clock P.M. is assigned as the time for hear-
ing any objections which may be made thereto.

Agreeably to the report of the com- Trucks
mittee on Licenses Truck licenses were granted numbered from 1.
to 1625. inclusive (except from 158. to 172. inclusive) and except 331.
609. 927. 1271. 1378. as recorded in the books of the Chief of Police. And Carriages
carriage licenses from 1. to 130. inclusive (except 11. 12.
143. 149. 189. 197. 324. as recorded in the books of the Chief of Police.

Ordered; That the subject Jury Box.
of revising the Jury Box and selecting a list of persons liable
and qualified to serve as Jurors in the several Courts,
be referred to the whole Board with instructions to report
such list accordingly.

Edwin P. Lord was licensed License
as a Victualler.

No person appearing to object Sanford
to the proposed widening of Sanford Street in Robbins Land Street
of B.B. Mussey, said subject was recommitted to the Com-
mittee on Streets with full power.

July 18.1853. The Committee on Finance

Alms House at Deer Island. to whom was referred the order of enquiry respecting $12,000 granted 6th February 1851 for furnishing the Alms House at Deer Island have attended to the subject and beg leave to

Furniture. report the following statement of facts furnished them by the Auditor of Accounts. By an Order of the City Council passed 6th February 1851 the sum of $12,000 was authorized to be borrowed for the purpose of furnishing the New Alms House at Deer Island. This amount was, by the Auditor, placed to the credit of the appropriation for the House of Industry for the year 1851-52. On the 1st of March 1852. a further sum of $12,000 was authorized to be borrowed, and added to the same appropriation; these two items, with the $90,000 originally granted for these establishments, made the total appropriation for their use, amount to 114,000.00

The expenditures by this Board in that financial year, including furniture, amounted, as per Auditor's Report No 40. pages 40. & 133. to 140 to the sum of 111,017.28

leaving a surplus of 2,982.72

of this surplus, there was transferred to Police account, under the order of 17th April 1852. the sum of 2,800.00

which left an unexpended balance of $ 182.72

This unexpended balance, was, at the close of the year, passed to the credit of the Committee on the Reduction of the City Debt. It appears by the printed Report of the House of Industry to the City Council; City Document 1852. No 26) and the Auditor's Report No 40. page 137. that $19,737.73 was expended for materials and work of a permanent character, including furniture, in and about the New Alms House, and that of this amount

was for furniture. Respectfully submitted, Benjamin Seaver, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred July 25th. July 18. 1853.

Michael Fitzgerald, Daniel Kay, Old Junk and Thomas Kane were licensed as Collectors of Old Junk &c.

The order, which passed this Board on the eleventh instant providing for the sale of the Arsenal Estate on Tucker Street, came up from the Common Council nonconcurred: whereupon this Board voted to adhere to it former vote concerning the passage of said order. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred July 25th. Arsenal Estate.

The Committee on Finance to whom the Auditor's communication of the 27th June was referred have considered the subject. They find from the Report of the Engineer the amount now due under the contract with Mr. Swan. That there is about $15,000 now due to Mr. Swan and to the Old Colony Rail Road for work done since 1st February last. They therefore recommend the passage of the enclosed order authorizing the Treasurer to borrow that amount. It is understood that whatever may be paid at this time is not to prejudice the rights of either party under the Old Contract. For the Committee, Benjamin Seaver, Chairman. Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, the sum of Thirteen thousand dollars and that the same be credited to the appropriation for Public Grounds. Accepted in Common Council and the order passed, came up for concurrence. Read concurred. Loan Grounds.

486 The Mayor, Aldermen Sleeper, James, Reed, Rich, Whiting, Cary
July 18. 1853. and White. 8. Nays. 0.

Chapman Ordered: That the Committee on
Haves Public Buildings be authorized to make all necessary repairs in
School Houses. the Chapman School House at an expense not exceeding $1000.
Also in the Haves School House at an expense not exceeding
$500. and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Common
School Houses. Read and laid on the table. See pages 498. 502.

Lumber The papers in relation to the election
of a Surveyor General of Lumber (being City Document No 46.)
came back from the Common Council bearing with a report
recommending Francis Ruland as Surveyor General of Lumber
which report having been accepted in Common Council came
up for concurrence. Read, and the whole subject was laid
upon the table

Engineers Ordered: That in addition to the
Clerk &c. Salary allowed the Secretary of the Board of Engineers of the
Boston Fire Department, there be paid him the sum of Two
hundred dollars to enable him to employ assistants in the
discharge of the duties of his office, and that the same be charged
to the appropriation for Incidental expenses and Miscellaneous
Claims. Passed in Common Council, came up for concurrence.
Read and concurred.

Streets Buildings The Committee on Ordinances, to
Internal health whom was referred the Order concerning the collection of
Superintendents of demands under the charge of the Department of Internal
accountability. Health &c. have considered the matter, and Report; That it
has been the custom for the Superintendents of Streets, Internal

Health and Public Buildings, to collect bills that may have be- 1857.
come due the City for materials sold, or work done in their re- July 18, 1853.
spective departments. The money thus received by these officers
has sometimes been used by them in paying bills against the City,
and sometimes has been paid directly into the City Treasury.
No record of these transactions has been kept in the respective
departments, and the only protection to the City from loss has been
the care and honesty of these officers. It has also been customary
for the Superintendents of Streets and Internal Health to pay out
each week and month large sums of money amounting to
nearly $40,000 a year, to the laborers employed by them, this money
is drawn from the Treasury by special drafts, and the pay
rolls are made up, certified and paid by the same officer. The
Committee are of the opinion that all such payments should
be made directly into the City Treasury and that all payments
to laborers in the employment of the said Superintendents shall
be made under the direction of the City Treasurer. They therefore
recommend the adoption of the accompanying Ordinance. For
the Committee, Charles Demond. In Common Council, Read,
accepted and the Ordinance in relation to the Superintendents
of Streets, Internal Health, and Public Buildings, passed as is
recorded in the book kept for that purpose. Came up for concurrence.
Read and concurred.

Ordered; That the Committee Alms House
on the Institutions at South Boston and Deer Island, in con- removal &
sultation with the Directors of the House of Industry, be author- paupers be-
ized, if they deem it expedient, to remove the inmates from the
said House of Industry at South Boston, and from the wooden
buildings on Deer Island, or any portion of them, and also

1853. such new comers as may be placed in their charge, into the
July 18, 1853. new brick building on Deer Island at such time during the present Municipal year as they may think the interest of the City and the comfort and safety of the inmates may be thereby most promoted. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas, The Mayor, Aldermen James, Read, Rich and White 5. Nays Aldermen Sleeper, Whiting & Cary 3.

Truant The Reports of the Officers who have charge of Truant Children and Absentees presented to the Board their quarterly reports, which were laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Twenty fifth day of July, Anno Domini, 1853.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Whiting.

Petition of James Kennelly & others,

Kennelly. Hebard. Reynolds. that the Sewer in A Street may be extended;- of William A. Hebard and others, that a Sewer may be constructed in Sumner Street to Samson Street;- of William B. Reynolds and others,

that a Common Sewer may be laid in Wendell Street. Refer- 489.
red to the Committee on Sewers and Drains. July 25. 1853.

Communication of William Shaw. Shaw.
F. Shaw respecting an improvement in Street Gas Lamps &
asking leave to adjust the same to the City Lamps. Referred
to the Committee on Lamps with full power.

Two petitions of the Eastern Eastern R.R.
Rail Road Company - and one of the Boston and Lowell Rail Boston &
Road Company asking this Board to adjust the damages sus- Lowell R.R.
tained by abutters on their proposed location within this City
in Market and Canal Streets. Referred to the Committee on
laying out and widening Streets.

Petition of G. De Florence De Florence
for leave to open the Eagle Theatre on Saturday evening next.
Read and thereupon voted that the prayer [illegible]
[illegible]

Petition of the Boston Light Boston Lt.
Infantry, and of the Boston Light Guard for approval of Infantry.
their respective Armories in Burnstead Court and Court Boston Lt. Guard.
Street. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on the
part of this Board.

Petition of James Foley for Foley-
leave to open a cellar Doorway in Commercial Street; of Tobdell.
Thomas J. Tobdell for leave to construct a Bay Window in Walnut
Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

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Coale

Petition of William E. Coale for leave to construct coal holes under the sidewalk in Mumford Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

M. E. Church
Bulman
Hillridge

Petition of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Edward Bulman and Martha Hillridge severally for compensation for the damage sustained by them from the change of grade in Church Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Howe
Hilly Street

Petition of George Howe and others that the grading of Hilly Street near Water Street may be reduced. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Williams

Petition of Henry Williams that certain sidewalks in Fremont Street may be laid. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Frayney
Spendthrift

It appearing to the Board upon the representation of S. B. Morse Jr. and others that James Frayney of this City is a Spendthrift, and so wastes his estate as will render him liable, with his wife and children, to be a burden upon this City, a petition to the Judge of Probate for this County was signed by the Board praying that a Guardian may be appointed for said Frayney as by the Statute is made and provided.

North Square

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of North Square by taking land from the heirs of Mary Lawrenson, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power.

No person appearing to ob- 491
ject to the proposed widening of Federal Street to taking effect May 25. 1855.
of Lime, Lightfinger and Water Streets and to the Street and Subject
was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power. Referred
Street.

No person appearing to Saratoga
object to the proposed construction of a common sewer in Sara- Street.
toga Street, said subject was recommitted to the Committee
on Sewers and Drains with full power.

Alderman Frost offered Salem St.
the following order. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Paving
Streets be and he is hereby directed to cause the paving to be Avenue.
relaid, the edgestones re-set, and the sidewalks to be covered with Marginal
bricks wherever the same may be required in Salem Street, Street.
between Prince and Hanover Streets - and in Harrison Ave-
nue between Beach and Dover Streets. The said Superintendent
is further ordered to cause Marginal Street to be graded from
Lincoln Street to Lewis Street. Read and referred to the Com-
mittee on Paving.

Alderman Frost offered an Streets in
order concerning the removal & obstruction from certain Streets South
in South Boston, which was read and laid upon the table.

On motion of Alderman Gray Beecher.
the Memorial of Lyman Beecher respecting the enforcement
of the Liquor Law was taken from the table, the motion to print
the same was reconsidered, and the subject was referred to
the Mayor, Aldermen Hooper, Rich and Frost.

492. Ordered: That there be paid
July 25. 1853. to Josiah Tose and William P. Emerson the sum of Twenty six
To hundred and fifty dollars for land taken to widen Washington
Emerson - Street and for all damages to tenants and others, upon their
Washington St: giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance
and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in conse=
quence of said taking; and that the same be charged to
the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets.

Thorndike Ordered: That there be paid
to John P. Thorndike the sum of Twenty seven hundred and
seventy five Dollars for land taken to widen Washington Street,
in conformity with the award of Jonathan Preston & Stephen
P. Fuller dated July 5. 1853. upon his giving to the City a Deed
for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all
damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking;
and that the same be charged to the appropriation for lay=
ing out and widening Streets.

Preston Ordered: That there be paid
& Fuller. to Jonathan Preston & Stephen P. Fuller the sum of Fifty
Dollars for fees as referees, on the reference agreed to by
John P. Thorndike and the City of Boston respecting dam=
ages for the widening of Washington Street; the same be
charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets.

Flaine. Whereas it appears to this Board
Second Street. that a certain tenement situated on Second Street between
L and E Streets, and belonging to Patrick F. Flaine is in a
state of nuisance and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants,

to it therefore Ordered That a notice in writing be given to the 193.
said Plane that he cause the nuisance existing on said premises July 25. 1853.
and consisting of foul and stagnant water to be removed with-
in five days from this date, by causing a proper and suffi-
cient drain to be constructed for said premond to carry said
filthy water into the Common Sewer.

Whereas, it appears to this Board, that certain lots of land situated on Liverpool Street, Border, and Decatur Streets, numbered 138. 139. 140. 141. 306. 307. 308. and belonging to Wm H. B. F. Delano, Noah Shurtevant, Jon^a Brown, Matthew Bolles, Charles G. Nye, George B. Jones, and H. A. Johnson, are in a State of nuisance, and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, therefore Ordered, That a notice in writing, be given to the said parties that they cause the said nuisance, existing on said premises and consisting of foul and stagnant water to be removed within five days from the date hereof, by filling up the same with good coarse gravel or sand so that the same may be properly drained. Liverpool Street.

Ordered: That the Super- intendent of Internal Health be instructed to cause a nuisance existing on Turnpike Street, occasioned by filthy and stagnant water on premises of John Kenney and Patrick Fleming, to be removed at the expense of said parties, by filling up said premises with good coarse gravel or earth so that the same may be properly drained. Said parties though duly notified having failed to remove said nuis- ance. Turnpike Street.

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Feb 25 1853. Eyer

On the petition of Eben E. Eyer to be paid for damage sustained by the change of grade in Atkinson and Dorchester Streets, the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Watch & Police.

At the suggestion of His Honor the Mayor, Aldermen Cary, Rich and Whiting were appointed a Committee to assist the Mayor in nominating candidates for the Watch and Police Departments.

Interments Christ & Trinity Church

The Committee on Cemeteries to whom was referred the petition of the Wardens of Trinity Church, and of Christ Church, respecting the order forbidding Interments under said Churches, have considered the same, and have given the petitioners a hearing, according to their request, and now beg leave to Report: That while it appears that the tombs under Trinity Church have been constructed in a very careful manner, and are probably less objectionable than those under any other church in the City, yet the Committee, on a re-consideration of the whole subject, believe that the order of prohibition referred to, is proper and judicious, and ought not to be rescinded either in whole or in part, that the Health and comfort of the inhabitants require that interments within the limits of the City should, as far as practicable, be discontinued. With these views your Committee cannot regard it as their duty to recommend that any exception be made in favor of Trinity, or any of the churches mentioned in said order, as it would be likely to lead to other exceptions more objectionable than those now-

in question, and would lend finally to render the order wholly 1195.
inoperative. With these views the Committee recommend July 25. 1853
that the petitions leave have to withdraw their petitions. For
the Committee, Benjamin Seaver, Chairman. Read & accepted.

Agreeably to the report of Williams
the Committee on Paving, Asa Williams was allowed & Geo.
to construct coal holes under the sidewalk in India Street— Fifty Assoc.
the Commissioners for the erection of the State House in Mt. Emery.
Vernon Street— the Fifty Associates in Elm Street, and F. W. &
Emery in Newton Street.

On the notice of intention to Bartlett.
build by James Bartlett on corner of Hanover and Charter
Streets the Committee on Streets reported that no further action
is required thereon. Read and accepted.

On the petition of Mary Ann Wilder.
Wilder for the abatement of a nuisance in Albany Street, the
Committee on Internal Health reported that the nuisance
complained of is occasioned by the peculiar situation of the
house of the petitioner, and as the remedy therefor lies in
her own power, the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Read
and accepted.

On the petition of the Master &c. Mechanic
Russells Charitable Mechanic Association for the use of the room Mechanic
over Faneuil Hall, the Committee of this Board reported Association.
that the prayer of the petitioner is granted. Read & accepted

May 31 1855 Licenses

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses, Alexander Alexander was appointed a Victualler and Henry Huff was appointed an Innholder.

Special Police

On nomination by the Mayor, George Nolen and William Lusby were appointed Special Police Officers for Sea Island, and Isaac Seavey was appointed a Special Police Officer for the Institutions at South Boston &c.

Harbor Police.

On nomination by the Mayor, William S. Burton, Daniel Hands, Edmund F. Hunt, William H. Howard, Hiram Hunt, Isaac C. Rich, George Leonard and Henry Selleck Potter, Richard Nolen Bowes & Morgan were appointed Harbor Police with Police and Water powers

Washington Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets cause Washington Street, from Common Street to Boylston Street, to be repaired and that he make such alterations in the grade and width of the sidewalks as he shall deem necessary.

Bowker-Union Chapel

The Committee on Bells and Clocks to whom was referred the petition of Albert Bowker and others requesting a Bell for Alarm of Fire at East Boston have considered the subject and report the accompanying Order. For the Committee, Isaac Cary, Chairman. Ordered: That a suitable bell of five hundred pounds weight be placed upon the "Union Chapel" at East Boston, to be rung at all alarms of fire - the expense of the same, including the framework, not to exceed the sum of Two hundred and fifty dollars, and to

be charged to the appropriation for the Fire Department. Read, accepted and the order passed.

July 25. 1853.

The ballots having been taken and counted for a Superintendent of Faneuil Hall Market, it appeared that Charles B. Rice was unanimously re-chosen. F. H. Market Superintendent.

Communication of Josiah Quincy asking for a final settlement of the City Wharf matters was read and referred to the Joint Special Committee heretofore charged with the subject of the sale of the City Wharf, with full power to take such action as they may deem expedient in the premises. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. Quincy-City Wharf.

Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Committee on Finance the sum of Eight thousand dollars to meet the authorized expenditure for Ward room accommodations in Ward No. 7 and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Public Buildings. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred with the following amendment, at A. strike out all after the word "nine". Yeas The Mayor, Aldermen Sleeper, James, Reed, Rich, Cary, White, Frost, & Nays none. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, Yeas 3/. Nays 2. Loan-Ward 7.

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred the petition of the "Soul of the Soldiery" for leave to retain their armory at Faneuil Hall, respectfully report that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Benjamin James, chair- Soul of Soldiery.

498. man. Laid and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Came
July 25. 1853. up concurred.

Chapman & Hawes School house — The order authorizing repairs to be made in the Chapman School House, and also in the Hawes School House, as recorded on page 486. under date of July 18th and laid on the table at that time; was called up and passed. Sent down for concurrence.

Dwight School house — The order, the Board which was laid upon the table June 27th last providing for the moving of the Dwight School House was taken from the table and was passed. Sent down for concurrence.

Bedford Street Nightingale — Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the inhabitants of the City require that Bedford Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public Street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to James Nightingale bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the easterly corner of the said premises, at the point where the boundary line between land of said Nightingale and land of Edward Renouf meets the proposed line of widening of Bedford Street; thence running Northwesterwardly, along the said line of widening, thirteen feet and thirty five hundredths of a foot; thence Southwesterwardly, by other land of said Nightingale, four feet and ninety eight hundredths of a foot; thence Southeasterwardly, along the northeasterly line of the said Street as at present established, thirteen feet and fifty five hundredths of a foot; and thence Northeasterwardly, by land heretofore taken from said Renouf to widen the said

feed, four feet and forty two hundredths of a foot, to the point of beginning; containing Sixty three Square feet, more or less. May 7, 1849.

And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid as appears by the return annexed. It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City, according to a plan of the said widening made by F. L. McKean dated July 25th 1849, and deposited in the office of the said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Bedford street, as aforesaid, will amount to two hundred and fifty dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Friday the Twenty ninth day of July, A.D. 1853.

Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Whiting.

Bagley

Petition of Thomas J. Bagley & others that the Common Sewer running from Harrison Avenue through Plymouth Place to Beach Street may be repaired; Prentice. of William H. Prentice for abatement of an assessment for the construction of a Common Sewer in South Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains.

Bradford Franklin Fund

Application of Charles F. Bradford for aid from the Franklin Fund, and offering Daniel C. Bacon and G. Howland Shaw as sureties, was approved by the Board.

Atwood

Petition of Elisha Atwood for compensation for damage sustained from the change of grade in Church Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Smith

Petition of Charles Smith for a license as a dealer in Second hand articles. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Nash Gallender & Co

Petition of Nash, Gallender & Co. and others that Broad Street may be raised to its established grade and may be paved. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

William C. Coale was allowed 501.
to construct Coal vaults under the Sidewalk in Municipal Street Com. Sy. 103.
upon the usual conditions. Coale.

On the petition of Henry Dy- Dyer.
er and others that Bufanch Street may be macadamized Aldermen H.
the Committee on Paving reported, that said measure is inex-
pedient at the present time. Read and accepted.

Upon nomination to the Su- Mike
perintendent of Municipal Police Market Thomas Bennett Dy: Sy: M.
was confirmed as Deputy Superintendent of said Market.

Thomas Benson was ap- Licenses.
pointed an Innholder and C. Waters was appointed a Victu-
aller by the Board.

Ordered: That the Superin- Salem
tendent of Streets be instructed to have Salem Street paved Street.
from Hanover to Prince Street, and the Sidewalks repaired
whenever he may deem it necessary.

Communication from the South
City Engineer (being City Document No 51) concerning the City Boston
Land and Land at South Boston together with a report Land Filling
thereon by the Committee on Streets on the part of the Common
Council, came up from that branch and were laid upon
the table.

On nomination by the Mayor Watchmen.
George C. Savage, Samuel T. Ford, Jr. Henry M. Smith, Fitch
Chandler were appointed on the Watch.

Ordered: That there be paid

July 29. 1853. Whitney Fremont St. to James S. Whitney the sum of One Hundred dollars for damages sustained from the change of the grade of Fremont St: and that upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving.

Chapman Hawes Lyman School houses The Common Council having amended the order of this Board, concerning the repairs of the Chapman and Hawes School Houses, by inserting at A "also in the Lyman School House at an expense not exceeding five hundred dollars" Said action came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Boston Light Dragoons Petition of Company B. Boston Light Dragoons for payment of the rent of the Armory, due July 1st 1853. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings in concurrence.

French- road Street Whereas Abram French has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Broad Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said French that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Street - and that Monday, the fifteenth day of August next at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Ordered: That there be paid to Pat Cawood the sum of One hundred Sept 15 1855
for damages sustained from the change of grade of Church Street, Compensation
as a record & the City Solicitor and all charges for Church Street.
said damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said change
of grade and that the same be charged to the appropriation
for Paving.

Ordered: That the sum Alms House
of three thousand dollars be appropriated for necessary re- Deer Island.
pairs and improvements on the Brick Building at Deer
Island, and that the same be spent under the direction of
the Committee on Public Buildings, and charged to appro-
priations for Houses of Industry and Reformation at South Bos-
ton and Deer Island. Passed in Common Council. Came up
for concurrence. Read & concurred.

The Joint Special Committee Boston
to whom was referred the Message of the Mayor, trans- in
mitting the Address of the Authorities of Boston, England, England
with instructions to adopt such measures thereon as they
may deem necessary, have attended to the duty assigned
them, and beg leave to Report: That they have acknowl-
edged the receipt of the said Address, as will appear by
the enclosed copies of the letters addressed to the Mayor of
Boston, England, and to Col. Laurence, Attache to the U. S.
Legation, London. Respectfully submitted, [illegible]
Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.
Came up concurred, Sep. 15

Whereas, by an order passed Land
by this Board on the 6th day of July last, it was declared that Stud.

504. the lots of land situated north of Deer Street, between Middleton,
July 29. 1853. Emerald, Village and Albion Streets, and owned by Warren
[illegible] William Gale Leigh Huntington, Thomas Power, heir
of N.S. White, heirs of William Gardiner, George Sparhawk, and
heirs of Edward Tuckerman, was in a State of nuisance, and
dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, and it was then
and thereby ordered that notice in writing be given to said
parties to cause the said nuisance then existing in said
premises and consisting of foul and stagnant water to be
removed within ten days from the day of the date of said
order in writing upon and to fill up said lots with good earth or
earth: And whereas it appears that due notice was given
to said parties pursuant to said order, and that the said
parties have neglected to cause the said nuisance to be
removed, and that the same still remains a nuisance as
before; and whereas the said term of ten days has expired:
it is therefore, Ordered, That the Superintendent of Inland
Health be and he is hereby directed to cause the said nuis-
ance to be removed forthwith, by filling up said lots as
aforesaid at the expense of the said several parties.

New Haven Ordered: That the Committee on
Deer Island: Public Buildings be and they are hereby authorized to make
necessary repairs and improvements in the Brick Building
at Deer Island with or without advertising for proposals, as
the said Committee may deem most for the interest of the City.
Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read
and concurred

[illegible] Special Committee &c.

to whom was referred the petition of John P. Ober and others, July 29. 1853.
and the City accept the Act incorporating the Metropolitan Metropolitan
Rail Road Company upon the terms & conditions mentioned in Rail Road Co
the petitioners and the reports of the Committee
of Common Council: And the Act & the acceptance
incorporating the Metropolitan Rail Road Company, passed May
21. 1853. be, and the same is hereby accepted by the City Council
of Boston. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concur-
rence. Read and concurred.

Petition from the proprietors of Cambridge
the Cambridge Rail Road Company, asking this Board not Rail Road Co
to locate any portion of the track of the Metropolitan Company
north and west of Hanover and Tremont Streets, was read
and referred to the whole board.

Petition of the Metropolitan Metropolitan
Rail Road Company asking leave to locate portions of their Rail Road
lines in Washington, Summer, Essex, Tremont and Green
Streets, Cornhill, Dock Square, Tremont Row, Sudbury & Beacon
Streets, Faneuil Hall Square and Causeway Charlestown Com-
mercial, Fleet and Hanover Streets, was read and referred
to the whole Board. And thereupon it was Ordered: That
the said Petitioners give notice to the dwellers upon the several
streets named in the said petition, that the same will
be considered and acted upon by this Board on the fifteenth day
of August next at five o'clock P.M. at which time all persons
interested may appear, and show cause why the prayer
of the said petition should not be granted, and that said
notice be given by publishing said petition with this order

thereon in the Boston Post, Boston Atlas, and Boston Daily [illegible] fourteen days successively; the last publication to be on or before said fifteenth day of August.

East Range and West Street

Whereas, by order passed by this Board on the Sixth day of July instant, it was declared that the tenement situated on corner of East and West Ingalls Streets, and on corner of East and West Streets & owned by Josiah L. Fairbanks and William Ryan was in a state of nuisance, and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, and it was then and thereby ordered that a notice in writing be given to said parties to cause the said nuisance then existing in said premises and consisting of foul and stagnant water to be removed within five days from the day of the date of said order by causing a proper and sufficient drain to be constructed for said tenements: And whereas it appears that due notice was given to said parties pursuant to said order, and that the said parties have neglected to cause the said nuisance to be removed, and that the same still remains a nuisance as before; and whereas the said term of five days has expired: it is therefore, Ordered, That the Superintendent of Internal Health be and he is hereby directed to cause the said nuisance to be removed forthwith, by causing proper drains to be constructed as aforesaid at the expense of the said parties.

Whaf Street.

Whereas, by an order passed by this Board on the eleventh day of July instant, it was declared that the drain situated in Whaf Street and owned

[illegible] Durant, John Bacon, Michael Flynn, Patrick Boyle, Thomas Barr, Samuel Sanford, heirs of Elizabeth Cain, [illegible] William F. Otis, was in a state of nuisance, and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, and it was then and there ordered that notice in writing be given to said parties to cause the said nuisance then existing in said premises and consisting of a small and obstructed drain to be removed within five days from the day of the date of said order by causing a proper and sufficient drain to be constructed to said several tenements which shall be common to all the inhabitants thereof: And whereas it appears that due notice was given to said parties pursuant to said order, and that the said parties have neglected to cause the said nuisance to be removed, and that the same still remains a nuisance as before, and whereas the said term of five days has expired: it is therefore, Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be and he is hereby directed to cause the said nuisance to be removed forthwith, by causing a proper and sufficient drain to be constructed to said several tenements at the expense of the said parties.

The Joint Standing Committee on the Library, and the Board of Trustees, under the order of the 6th instant, "requesting them to select a site for a library, and cause the plans of the same and draft to the City Council," have attended to the duty assigned them and respectfully submit that after full deliberation they recommend as a site for the Library the [illegible]

Public Library

508 Estate" and one adjoining it, in Boylston Street, as the
July 29, 1853. most eligible of any that has come to their knowledge, and recommend that these estates be purchased, provided it can be done at reasonable prices. The Committee have, as they understand, the refusal of these estates till tomorrow, but whether it can be extended for a longer period is uncertain. The Committee, and the Trustees, have deliberated upon the suggestion of fixing the site in the Public Garden, but many objections exist to this among them the difficulty and expense of obtaining a sure foundation: the extra cost of erecting a building in a position requiring that the four sides should be finished with regard to ornament; and also its exposed situation in the winter, rendering its use at this important season of the year, more limited to our citizens, and especially the young, than is desirable. Benjamin Seaver, Chairman of Committee on Public Library. Edward Everett, President of the Trustees of the Public Library.— After the Committee had separated, the undersigned received notice that an estate in Temple Place, which perhaps would be suited to the wants of the Public Library, may possibly be obtained on favorable terms. The Council may therefore deem it advisable to include this location in any grant of power they may think it expedient to make to purchase a site. Benjamin Seaver. Edward Everett.—
Ordered: That the Committee of the Public Library, in conjunction with the Trustees of the same, be authorized to purchase, under the direction of the Committee on Public Buildings, either of the sites indicated in the Committee's report of this date. July 14, 1853. Passed in Common Council, July 25

Sec. 2. Ord. by same Pr. for concurrence. Read and concurred Sep.

Pres. The Mayor, Aldermen Keeler, James, Reed, Rich, Curry, White, Frost & Mays. 8. July 29. 1853.

The Committee on Internal Peace_ Health to whom was refered the petition of James Peirce and others that a nuisance existing upon Holton's Wharf may be Adams. Holton's Wharf
timely inspected upon, that the same complained, as appeared from the testimony & many witness and also by the personal examination of the Committee & reasons of the Committee, does find upon it, that Seth Adams a Soap & Furnace owned by Seth Adams of this City. The smell and smoke arising from the burning of these substances are exceedingly offensive and greatly affect the comfort and cleanliness of the inhabitants of that vicinity. It is your Committee fully certain the opinion that the burning of these bones &c. is an offensive trade within the meaning of the statute, and is known unto the Board, this Board recommend the passage of the following order and order. Seth Adams miller & Keeper thereof. Ordered: That the business & trade prosecuted by Seth Adams in his brick building upon Holton's Wharf, is in the opinion of this Board, offensive to the comfort, and injurious to property of a large portion of the inhabitants of this City, and is therefore a nuisance within the meaning of the Statute_ Therefore, Ordered: That the said Seth Adams be and he is hereby directed to desist forthwith from the further prosecution of the business of burning bone or other animal matter in said locality_ And he is moreover forbidden to exercise said trade within the limits of this City without the express permission of this Board first had and obtained.

Upon the petition of the Boston and Lowell Rail Road Company for the estimation of damages for land taken for the purposes of their Rail Road, it is Ordered: That the said Rail Road Company give notice to James Curtis, Calvin Page, the Eastern Rail Road Company, David Wilson the heirs of John D. Valentine, Alexander Robertson, Leonard Hollon, Thomas Wigglesworth, Moses Grant, Otis Daniell, Wilson Bisbee and John Denton, by serving on each of them an attested copy of the said petition and this order thereon that a hearing will be had upon the said petition before the said Board of Mayor and Aldermen on Monday the twenty second day of August next at four o'clock P.M. at which time they may attend and be heard in relation thereto: and the Board will then proceed to estimate the damages to the owners of the land taken by the said Boston and Lowell Rail Road Company according to the Statute in such case made and provided.

Boston & Lowell Rail Road

Upon the petition of the Eastern Rail Road Company for the estimation of damages for land taken for Depot and Station purposes, it is Ordered: That the petitioners give notice to William H. Beal, Benjamin E. Bates, Maurice O'Connell, Simeon Tucker, Charles Going, Edwin Adams, Alvan Hinkley, Daniel Dow, Simeon Smith, [illegible] Morrison, and heirs of Morrison, deceased, John [illegible], Freeman [illegible] and [illegible] Carr, and Willard Whitman, by serving on each of them an attested copy of the said petition and this order thereon, that a hearing will be had upon the said petition before

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the said Board of Mayor and Aldermen on Monday the 311
twenty second day of August next at four o'clock P.M. at July 29. 1853
which time they may attend and be heard in relation thereto:
and the Board will then proceed to estimate the damages
to the owners of the land taken by the said Eastern Rail
Road Company according to the Statute in such case made
and provided.

Upon the petition of the East- Eastern
ern Rail Road Company for the estimation of damages Rail Road
for land taken for the purpose of their said Rail Road it is ord-
ered: That the said Rail Road Company give notice to
Charles Hayes, John Linden, Mrs. Sarah Ann Linden
Eben Francis, James Otis, Mrs. A. Ritchie, Andrew Carney,
Jacob Sleeper, Calvin Page, James Cofran, John Welles, the
heirs of Moses Linnell deceased, [illegible]
and William L. Beal, by serving on each of them an
attested copy of the said petition and this order thereon,
that a hearing will be had upon the said petition before
the said Board of Mayor and Aldermen on Monday
the twenty second day of August next at four o'clock P.M.
at which time they may attend and be heard in rela-
tion thereto: and the Board will then proceed to estimate
the damages to the owners of the land taken by the said
Eastern Rail Road Company, according to the Statute
in such case made and provided.

Adjourned to Monday August 15. 1853. at 4 o'clock P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Friday the fifth day of August, A. D. 1853.

Present.

The Mayor, Aldermen Read, Sleeper, Whiting and White.

Keenan. Ordered: That the Mayor be authorized on behalf of the City of Boston to execute an appeal bond, in the case of Keenan vs. the City of Boston, for the purpose of carrying the said case to the Supreme Court of the United States: which bond is to be in the penal sum of Fifteen thousand dollars.

Mussey. Petition of B. B. Mussey & others for a Common Sewer in Brattle Street, from Brattle Square to Dock Square. Referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains, with full power.

Harper Petition of Thomas H. Harper for abatement of a nuisance in Sumner Place. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Adjourned to Monday August fifteenth, at four o'Clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the Eighth day of August, in the Year 1853.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen Frost, Whiting and Cary.

Petition of Franklin Evans and others that Albany Street may be paved from Beach to Oak Streets - of David A. Boynton and others that Cross Street may be repaired. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Evans. Boynton.

Petition of Thomas E. Billiet & others that Bristol Lane may be repaired &c. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Billiet

Petition of Mary Brown to be paid for the damage sustained by her from the change of grade in Church Street; - of Freeman M. Dyer for a revision & the order to pay him for damage he has sustained in Church Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Brown. Dyer.

Communication of John L. Hunnewell and others respecting the grade of Princeton & Marion Streets - and petition of William Appleton and others that the grade of Commercial Street near City Wharf may be raised: were referred to the committee on Paving. Hunnewell. Appleton

Petition of J. D. Ireland and others females and females, in aid of the petition of Seymour Ireland

Mr. Bacher and others, presented at a former meeting, was
now taken referred to the Special committee appointed on that subject

Lewis. Petition of Ambrose Lewis to
First Stud. have the wall on First Street extended from C. Street.
Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Tilden Petition of the commissioners
Public for the enlargement of the State House and a petition
Grounds for Grand Avenue that may be closed from public travel
Tilden for thirty days. of Thomas J. Tobdell that edgestones may be
Nightingale. set and the gutters paved in Bradford Street. & William
Evans that the City would accept and grade Utica Street;
& Edward Tilden and others that edgestones may be set
in F. Street, between Fourth and Fifth Streets; of J. W. Night-
ingale to have a contract let for the sidewalk
in Indiana Place; were referred to the Committee on Paving

Willard. Petition of Henry Willard
Woods. for a license for the Howard Athenaeum and of J. M. Woods
for leave to exhibit certain Natural Curiosities at Concert
Hall. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Howard. Petition of B. Howard & others,
that a nuisance in Orange Street may be abated. Refer-
red to the Committee on Internal Health

Ford Petition of Thomas Ford and
others, that a new Street may be opened from Myrtle Street

to May Street;- of James Cheever and others for a hearing on the subject of the continuation of Second Street of Wm E. Richardson and others that First Street may be extended in a southerly direction. Referred to the Committee on Streets. 515. July 13. 1835 Cheever. Richardson

Notice was received from the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Roxbury that that Board had appointed Aldermen Williams N. Cook Eager a Committee to confer with the Committee on Internal Health on the part of this Board in relation to the nuisance in Plymouth and Northampton Streets. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health. Plymouth Street. Internal Health.

Notice was received from the Hon. John C. Park, District Attorney, that a complaint has been instituted before the Grand Jury for the existence of the said nuisance in Plymouth and Northampton Streets. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health. Plymouth Street.

Petition of [illegible] Dewey and others, that a common sewer may be laid in Chatham Street extended;- of Francis C. Loring for the extension of Mount Vernon Street sewer;- of John Dewey for a common sewer in Everett Street;- of Seriah Stevens for a common sewer from Second Street down A. street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers & Drains. Petition. Loring- Dewey- Stevens.

Petition of A. K. Tuckbury & Henry Curtis to be appointed Weighers of Hyghes &c. Referred to Aldermen Reed, Sleeper and White. Petition.

Aug. 15. 1853. Company F. Petition of company F. for approval of their Armory. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board.

Chadwick et al. Justices Court. Hayman et al. Common Pleas Court. Petition of Rufus Chadwick and 213 others that increased accommodations may be furnished for the Justice's Court of the County of Suffolk; - of Hyman Mellen and others that better accommodations may be furnished for the Court of Common Pleas for said County. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board.

Metropolitan Rail Road. The [illegible] the day assigned for hearing any objections to the location of the Metropolitan Rail Road in certain streets of this City, as proposed in the petition of said Company and it appearing to the Board that due notice had been given by the petitioners of the time and place of the hearing as directed in the order of this Board dated August the first 1853 - Josiah Bradlee & others, and Jacob H. Authorn appeared, by counsel, and [illegible] said location and after an arrangement of the case the further hearing on the subject was postponed to Tuesday, the twenty third day of August at 10 o'clock, A.M.

Bowdoin Hills Street. On the petition of Simon Bowdoin and others that the name of Hills Street may be changed to that of "Dana" or "Revere", the Committee on Streets reported, that said measure is inexpedient at the present time. Read and accepted.

No person appearing to object 517.
to the proposed widening of Broad Street by taking land July 13. 1853
of Hiram French, said subject was recommitted to the Com- Broad Street.
mittee on Streets with full power.

On nomination by the Mayor, Watchmen
William Campbell and Alexander Wilson were appointed on Police.
the Watch, and James Daniels was appointed a Special
Police Officer at the Providence Rail Road Depot.

Petition of Moses Kimball for Kimball
a license for the Boston Museum. Referred to the Committee
on Licenses.

Message from the Mayor ask- Harbor
ing the city council for an appropriation to defray the ex- Police.
penses of the Harbor Police which was recently established
by this Board. Read and referred to the Committee on
Finance. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred
Sept. 15th

Ordered; That the Act of the Streets
Legislature of Massachusetts approved May 11. 1853. entitled grades of
"An Act in relation to the grades of certain Streets and ways",
being Chapter 315. of the Statutes of 1853. be and the same is
hereby accepted by the City Council of the City of Boston. Sent
down for concurrence. Came up non-concurred, October 6th

On the petition of Henry Lee Winnin-
inson and others to be paid for land taken from them Pleasant
by the construction of a Common Sewer in Pleasant Lane, Lane.
the Com^e on Sewers & Drains, reported leave to withdraw. Read & accepted.

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Howe. On the petition of I. G. Howe, for the Grant of Broadway at the junction of the "Old Road," the Committee on Paving reported that no further action is required thereon. Read and accepted.

Dudley On the petition of William Dudley and others that Bates Street may be widened the Committee on Sewers reported that said measure is inexpedient at the present time. Read & accepted.

Bayley. Duncan Place. On the petition of Thomas J. Bayley and others that the Common Sewer running from Harrison Avenue through Plymouth Place may be repaired the Committee on Sewers & Drains reported that the Superintendent of Common Sewers be authorized to make such repairs as are necessary in the premises. Read and accepted.

Feeley On the petition of James Feeley for leave to open a Cellar Doorway in Commercial Street, the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Second hand articles Charles Smith was licensed as a Dealer in Second hand articles.

Blackstone Market. Ordered: That the Chief of Police notify George W. Gerrish to lay the Sidewalks around Blackstone Market with bricks or flat stones forthwith.

Weigher. John R. Bradford, City Weigher, reported, that for the quarter ending July 31 he had received the sum of $724.50 fifty per cent of which he paid into

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the City Treasury. read and ordered down.

City Clerk Registrar Auditor.

The City Clerk reported that he had received during the last quarter the sum of $107.21 the City Registrar $686.50 the City Auditor $587.87 which sums have been paid into the Treasury. Read and sent down In Common Council, Read and placed on file.

Market.

The Superintendent of Faneuil Hall Market reported that he had received and paid into the City Treasury the sum of $ 1.05.10 during the last quarter. Read and placed on file.

Branch Avenue Lamps

Ordered: That the Committee on Lamps be instructed to place two Gas Lamps in Branch Avenue, one in the centre and one on the corner of said Avenue and Spruce Street, on condition that the abutters on the Avenue pay the expense of the pipes and laying down of the same.

Branch Avenue

Ordered: That the order passed by this Board, instructing the Committee on Lamps to have an Oil Lamp placed on Branch Avenue, be and the same is hereby rescinded.

Trucks

The Committee on Licenses reported in favor of licensing certain trucks and wagons to Timothy Cheney, and Rufus Hall that is recorded in the book kept for that purpose.

Indians Read.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Common Sewers be and he is hereby authorized to contract a Common Sewer in Amherst and Lincoln

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Boston & Maine Rail Road.

Ordered: That the Mayor & Aldermen be a Committee to consider and report upon the expediency of changing the present motive power on the Boston and Maine Rail Road between Causeway and Market Streets, pursuant to the power granted to this Board by the Act incorporating said Company. Chap. 172. Act. 1844.

City Stables.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Health be and he is hereby authorized to sell at auction, (A) under the direction of the Committee on Internal Health, all the old sleds, derricks, and other materials at the City Stables which are not needed by his department, and to pay the proceeds into the City Treasury to the credit of the said Department. See Ord. for insurance. Amended on page 659.

Howe. Old Harbor Ave.

Ordered: That there be paid to Hall J. Howe the sum of One thousand dollars for damages sustained by the change of the grade of Old Harbor and Borough Road upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages and expenses in consequence of said change of grade, and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving.

Howes Old Harbor St.

Ordered: That there be paid to Willis Howes the sum of Three hundred dollars for damages sustained by the change of the grade of Old Harbor Street, upon his giving to the City an acquittance and

discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving.

Felton Old Harbor Street.

Ordered: That there be paid to Luther H. Felton the sum of Two Hundred and fifty dollars for damages sustained by the change of the grade of Old Harbor Street, upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving.

Gallagher Old Harbor Street.

Ordered: That there be paid to William Gallagher the sum of Two Hundred and fifty dollars for damages sustained by the change of the grade of Old Harbor Street, upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving.

Penniman Old Harbor Street.

Ordered: That there be paid to A.P. Penniman the sum of Two Hundred and fifty dollars for damages sustained by the change of the grade of Old Harbor Street upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving.

Tillon Old Harbor St.

Ordered: That there be paid to John Tillon the sum of Two hundred and fifty dollars

322. for damages sustained by the change of the grade of Old
Aug. 15. 1855 Harbor Head upon his giving to the City an acquittance &
discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in conse-
quence of said change of grade; and that the same be
charged to the appropriation for Paving.

Quincy-
Chatham Head. Ordered: That due notice be
given that this Board will, on Monday next, at 4 oClock,
PM., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a
Common Sewer in Chatham Street extended, and of assessing
the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their par-
ticular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who by any more
remote means shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person
making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Appleton-
Commercial
Street. On the petition of William Ap-
pleton and others,- Ordered: That due notice be given that
this Board will, on Monday next at 4 oClock, PM. take into
consideration the expediency of constructing a Common Sewer
in Commercial Street and of assessing the expense thereof
on all persons who may enter their particular Drains into
such Common Sewer, or who by any more remote means
shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objec-
tions thereto, will then and there be heard.

Wendell
Street. Ordered: That due notice
be given that this Board will, on Monday next, at four
oClock, PM. take into consideration the expediency of construct-
ing a Common Sewer in Wendell Street and of assessing

the expence thereof on all persons who may enter their par- 523.
ticular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who by any Aug. 15. 1853.
more remote means shall enter any Sewer thereby:
Any person making objections thereto, will then and there
be heard.

Whereas, in the opinion of | Piper-
the Board the safety and convenience of the inhabitants | hole Road
require that South Street should be widened at its junction | Worcester
with Dehon Street it is thereupon hereby Ordered, That due | Rail Road
notice be given to the Boston and Worcester Rail Road corpora-
tion that this Board intend to widen the Street before mention-
ed, by taking a part of the land belonging to them, and lay-
ing out the same as a public street and that Monday, the
twenty Second day of August instant at four o'clock P. M. is
assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may
be made thereto.

Whereas, by an order passed by | Gerrish.
this Board on the eighteenth day of July last it was de- | Blackstone
clared that the cellar situated under the Blackstone Market | Market.
and owned by George W. Lovell was in a state of nuisance
and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, and it was
then and thereby ordered that notice in writing be given
to said Gerrish to cause the said nuisance then existing
in said premises and consisting of bilge water and salt
brine to be removed within five days from the day of the
date of said order by causing a drain to be built for said
premises by which said filthy water may be carried off:
And whereas it appears that due notice was given to said
Gerrish pursuant to said order, and that the said Gerrish

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has neglected to cause the said nuisance to be removed, and that the same still remains a nuisance as before; and whereas the said term of five days has expired: it is therefore, Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be and he is hereby directed to cause the said nuisance to be removed forthwith, by causing a drain to be built as aforesaid at the expense of the said Parrish.

Farnsworth
Hanover Stat.

Whereas, by an order passed by this Board on the eighteenth day of July last it was declared that the tenement situated on Hanover Street /No 204/ and owned by Amos Farnsworth was in a state of nuisance, and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, and it was then and thereby ordered that notice in writing be given to said Farnsworth to cause the said nuisance then existing in said premises and consisting of an improperly constructed drain to be removed within five days from the day of the date of said order by causing a proper and sufficient drain to be constructed for said tenement: And whereas it appears that due notice was given to said party pursuant to said order, and that the said party has neglected to cause the said nuisance to be removed, and that the same still remains a nuisance as before; and whereas the said term of five days has expired: it is therefore Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be and he is hereby directed to cause the said nuisance to be removed forthwith, by causing a proper and sufficient drain to be constructed as aforesaid at the expense of the said Farnsworth.

Whereas, by an order passed
by the Board on the twenty fifth day of July last it was de- July 15. 1853
clared that the lots of land situated on Liverpool, Border &
Decatur Streets, and owned by Wm H. and B. F. Delano, Noah Liverpool,
Shurtevant and Jon.a Brown, Matthew Bolles, Charles C. Alger, Border &
Geo. B. Jones & N. A. Johnson, were in a state of nuisance, Decatur
and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, and it Streets.
was then and thereby ordered that notice in writing be giv-
en to said parties to cause the said nuisance then existing
in said premises and consisting of foul and stagnant water
to be removed within five days from the day of the date
of said order by filling up the same with good coarse
gravel or sand: And whereas it appears that due notice
was given to said parties pursuant to said order, and that
the said parties have neglected to cause the said nuisance
to be removed, and that the same still remains a nuis-
ance as before; and whereas the said term of five days
has expired: it is therefore Ordered That the Superinten-
dent of Health be and he is hereby directed to cause the
said nuisance to be removed forthwith, by filling up the same
as aforesaid at the expense of the said several parties.

Whereas it appears to this Board Green.
that a certain tenement situated on Fishmarket Place Fishmarket
and belonging to Thomas Green & others is in a state of Place
nuisance and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants;
it is therefore Ordered, That a notice in writing be given
to the said Green, that he cause the nuisance existing
on said premises, to be removed within five days from

526 this date, by causing a proper and sufficient drain to be
July 15. 1853 constructed for said premises.
Slane
Second Stret Whereas, by an order passed by this Board on the twenty sixth day of July inst, it was declared that the tenement situated on Second Street between D. and E Street, and owned by Patrick F. Slane was in a state of nuisance, and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, and it was then and thereby ordered that notice in writing be given to said Slane to cause the said nuisance then existing in said premises and consisting of foul and stagnant water to be removed within five days from the day of the date of said order by causing a proper and sufficient drain to be constructed for said tenement: And whereas it appears that due notice was given to said Slane pursuant to said order, and that the said Slane has neglected to cause the said nuisance to be removed, and that the same still remains a nuisance as before; and whereas the said term of five days has expired: it is therefore, Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be and he is hereby directed to cause the said nuisance to be removed forthwith by causing a proper and sufficient drain to be constructed as aforesaid at the expense of the said Slane.

Rice. Whereas, by an order of
Tyler Stred. this Board passed July eleventh inst, Thomas Rice, the owner or agent of the tenement numbered 143 Tyler Stred, was directed to cause the vault belonging to said tenement to be cleansed and reconstructed according to law within

ten days from said date and whereas it appears that due notice was given to said Rice, and that said Rice has neglected to comply with the order of this Board, and whereas the term of ten days has expired, it is ordered that the Chief of Police be and he is hereby directed to cause the vault on said premises to be cleansed and to be re-constructed according to law, at the expense of the said Samuel Rice.

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Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Hawkins Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public Street a way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to John M. Barnard bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the westerly corner of the said premises at the southerly corner of a brick building belonging to the said Barnard; thence running Northeastwardly, bounded by the said building, fifteen feet and forty seven hundredths of a foot; thence Southeastwardly, along the proposed line of widening of Hawkins Street, eighty three feet and forty eight hundredths of a foot; and thence Northwestwardly, by the irregular line of Hawkins Street as at present established ninety one feet and sixty nine hundredths of a foot, to the point of beginning; containing seven hundred and twenty square feet, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and

Hawkins Street. Barnard

528 laid out as a public Street or way of the said City - accord-
Jan 5 1853 ing to a plan of the said widening made by Henry S. Mc
Kean, dated August 15th 1853 and deposited in the office of
the said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board doth ad-
judge that the expense of widening the said Hawkins Street,
as aforesaid, will amount to Fourteen hundred and forty
dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates
of previous alterations or discontinuances in said Street, during
the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of
Five thousand dollars.

Barnard Whereas this Board by a Re-
Hawkins Street. solve passed this day took a certain parcel of land, therein
described, lying on Hawkins Street and laid out the
same as a public street or way of said City, it is therefore
Ordered, That due notice be given to John M. Barnard
and all other persons interested as owners, proprietors, ten-
ants, occupants, or otherwise, in said land that they cut
off, pull down, remove and carry away all buildings,
erections and obstructions of every sort standing on and
projecting over the line of said Hawkins street as estab-
lished by the Resolve aforesaid, or, move and set back
the same to the said line, and vacate and surren-
der the land and premises taken as aforesaid on or
before the first day of September now next ensuing. And
in default thereof, the Chief of Police is hereby directed &
empowered forthwith to enter upon said land and cause
all buildings, erections and obstructions standing on
and projecting over the line of Hawkins Street, as establish-
ed by the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down, removed

and carried away, or to be moved and set back to said line, and the said land to be vacated and surrendered under the direction of the Committee on laying out and widening Streets. 529. Aug. 15. 1853.

Whereas this Board by a Resolve passed the 25th day of July last took a certain piece of land, therein described, lying on Bedford Street and laid out the same as a public Street or way of said City, it is therefore Ordered That due notice be given to James Nightingale and Joseph T. Brown, and all other persons interested as owners, proprietors, tenants, occupants, or otherwise, in said land that they cut off, pull down, remove and carry away all buildings, erections and obstructions of every sort standing on and projecting over the line of said Bedford Street as established by the Resolve aforesaid, or, move and set back the same to the said line and vacate and surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid on or before the first day of September now next ensuing. And in default thereof, the Chief of Police is hereby directed and empowered forthwith to enter upon said land and cause all buildings, erections and obstructions standing on and projecting over the line of said Bedford Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down, removed and carried away, or to be moved and set back to said line, and the said land to be vacated and surrendered under the direction of the Committee on laying out and widening Streets. Nightingale Brown Bedford St.

Aug. 15, 1853. U. S. Marine Hospital

The Joint Standing Committee on Water, to whom was referred the petition of Jacob Mitchell Steward of U. S. Marine Hospital, for use of the Cochituate Water at said Institution by leave to report: that the same be referred to the Water Board with full power. In the Committee Benjamin Seaver Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Sept. 15.

Causeway Street - Eliot.

Resolved, That the safety & convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Causeway Street Road is widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to John F. Eliot, bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the westerly corner of the said premises, at a point on the present northwesterly line of Causeway Street distant twelve feet and twenty four hundredths of a feet northeasterly from the northeasterly corner of Causeway and Everett Streets; thence running easterly, along said line of Causeway Street, twelve feet and fifteen hundredths of a foot, to an angle; thence northeastwardly, along said line of Causeway Street, seventeen feet and ninety six hundredths of a foot, to an angle; thence northeastwardly, along said line of Causeway Street, twenty feet and seventy eight hundredths of a foot; thence northwardly, along the easterly line of land of said Eliot, one foot and seventy five hundredths of a foot; and thence southwesterly along the proposed line of widening of Causeway Street fifty feet and forty hundredths of a foot, to the point of beginning; containing one hundred

and seventy six square feet, and thirteen hundredths of a square foot more or less. Also another parcel of land belonging to said City bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the easterly corner of the said premises, at a point on the present northwesterly line of Causeway Street, distant six feet and fifty nine hundredths of a foot from the northeasterly corner of Causeway and Leverett Streets; thence running westwardly, along said line of Causeway Street six feet and fifty nine hundredths of a foot; thence northwardly, along the easterly line of Leverett Street, nine feet; and thence southeastwardly along the proposed line of widening, on a curve of eight feet radius, eleven feet and eighteen hundredths of a foot, to the point of beginning; containing sixteen square feet and fifty hundredths of a square foot more or less. It being understood, and it is hereby ordered, that said curve be continued eastwardly, with the same radius, till it again intersect said line of Causeway Street, at a point distant about six feet and fifty six hundredths of a foot east wardly from its westerly point of intersection with the same, and that the portion of Causeway Street included between said curve continued, and said line of Causeway Street, and containing, one square foot and ninety six hundredths of a square foot, more or less, be discontinued as a public street or way. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcels of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcels of land before described be, and the same hereby are taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City— 531. Aug. 15. 1873.

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according to a plan of the said widening made by E.S. Chestrough dated April 18th 1853 and deposited in the office of the said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Causeway Street, as aforesaid, will amount to Four hundred dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of Five thousand dollars.

Eliot.

Causeway St.

Whereas this Board by a Resolve passed this day took a certain parcel of land, therein described, lying on Causeway Street and laid out the same as a public street or way of said City, it is therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to John F. Eliot and all other persons interested as owners, proprietors, tenants, occupants, or otherwise, in said land that they cut off, pull down, remove and carry away all building erections and obstructions of every sort standing on and projecting over the line of said Causeway Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, or, move and set back the same to the said line, and vacate and surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid on or before the first day of September now next ensuing. And in default thereof, the Chief of Police is hereby directed and empowered forthwith to enter upon said land and cause all buildings, erections and obstructions standing on and projecting over the line of said Causeway Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down, removed and carried away, or to be moved and set back to said line, and the said land

to be vacated and surrendered under the direction of the committee on laying out and widening Streets. 533. Aug. 15. 1853.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Broad Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public Street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Abram French - bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the most westerly corner of the said premises, at a point in the proposed line of widening of Broad Street distant about one hundred and eight feet southeastwardly from the southerly corner of Broad and Batterymarch Streets, thence running southeastwardly along the said line of widening, forty feet and twenty one hundredths of a foot; thence northeastwardly at right angles with the said line of widening, fifty eight hundredths of a foot; thence northwestwardly, along the line of Broad Street as at present established, forty feet and twenty one hundredths of a foot; and thence southwestwardly, at right angles with the said line of widening, forty two hundredths of a foot, to the point of beginning; containing twenty square feet and ten hundredths of a square foot, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public Street or way of the said City - according to a plan of the said widening made by Henry S. McKean dated Aug. 15. 1853. and deposited in the Broad Street - French

534 office of the said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board
July 13 1853 doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Broad
Street, as aforesaid, will amount to one hundred dollars;
which sum together with the amount of estimates of
previous alterations or discontinuances in said street,
during the present municipal year, does not exceed the
sum of Five thousand dollars

French Whereas this Board by a
Broad Mud Resolve passed this day took a certain parcel of land,
therein described, lying on Broad Street and laid out
the same as a public street or way of said City, it is
therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to Abram French
and all other persons interested as owners, proprietors, ten-
ants, occupants, or otherwise, in said land that they cut
off, pull down, remove and carry away all buildings,
erections and obstructions of every sort standing on and
projecting over the line of said Broad Street, as establish-
ed by the Resolve aforesaid, or, move and set back the
same to the said line, and vacate and surrender the
land and premises taken as aforesaid on or before the first
day of September now next ensuing. And in default
thereof, the Chief of Police is hereby directed and empow-
ered forthwith to enter upon said land and cause all
buildings, erections and obstructions standing on and
projecting over the line of said Broad Street, as establish-
ed by the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down,
removed and carried away, or to be moved back to
said line, and the said land to be vacated and sur-
rendered under the direction of the Committee on laying out and
widening Streets

The Joint Standing Committee on Water to whom was referred the petition of H.H. Buckmore, suggesting a plan for a Public Bathing House in the Public Garden &c leave to report: That the Committee deem it impracticable to use the Garden for any such purpose, therefore recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Benjamin Seaver, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence, came up concurred Sep. 15. — Aug. 15. 1853. Buckmore Petn.

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred the petition of Company B, Light Dragoons to be paid for the rent of their Armory, having attended to that matter submit the following order. For the Committee, Benjamin Ames, Chairman. Ordered: That there be paid to Company B, Boston Light Dragoons the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars being for rent of the Armory occupied by them from April 1st 1853 to July 1st 1853. said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Incidental Expenses and Miscellaneous Claims. Read, accepted and the order passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred September 15th — Company B. Light Dragoons

On the petition of Nash, Callender & others, that Broad Street may be raised to the established grade and be paved, the Committee on Paving reported that the measure proposed is inexpedient. Read and accepted. — Nash Callender &c

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday, the Twenty Second day of August A.D. 1853.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen Whiting and White.

Wright. Petition of Charles A. Wright to be compensated for injuries sustained by him while discharging his duties as a Watchman. Referred to the Mayor.

Edgerly-Hoogs-Curtis. Church Street. Petition of Lucinda Edgerly to be paid for damage sustained by the change of grade in Church Street;- of William A. Hoogs for the same; and of Samuel Curtis for the same. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Morey. Lincoln Street. Petition of George Morey and others, that Lincoln Street may be repaved, and the grade elevated. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Howard Ware Gardner. Petition of J. W. Howard & others, that the edgestones may be set and the gutters paved on B. street, from Fifth to Seventh Streets:- of George W. Ware & others, that Lynde Street may be repaved and macadamized:- of George Gardner for leave to construct coal holes under the sidewalk in Summer Street; were severally referred to the Committee on Paving.

Hatch Hobart Rand. Petitions of Thomas G. Atkins and others, C. E. Shaw and others, Lucy A. Hobart and others, Rebecca Rand and others, in aid of the petition of

Lyman Beecher and others, were referred to the Special Committee on that subject. 537.
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Petition of James Wallace for the abatement of a nuisance in Garden Street; of Mary Ann Wilder for abatement of a nuisance in Albany Street; of Tolman Willey and others for abatement of a nuisance in Shawmut Avenue. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health. Wallace. Wilder. Willey

Petition of James Kidder and others that gas lamps may be placed and lighted in the streets in East Boston, through which the East Boston Gas Company have laid their pipes. Referred to the Committee on Lamps. Kidder East Boston.

Petition of Frederic Crosby and others that Strong Place may be lighted with gas. Referred to the Committee on Lamps. Crosby.

Petition of Nathaniel Winsor jr. and others, that the Brookline Street Sewer may be lowered. Referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains. Winsor. Brookline St.

Petition of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society for leave to erect a tent on the Common wherein to hold their Annual Exhibition. Referred to the Committee on the Common &c. Mass. Hort. Society.

On the notice of the intention to build by Albert A. Bent on Fourth and D. streets, the Committee on Streets reported that no action by them is required on said subject: and they recommend that so much of the notice as relates to the grade of the street be referred Bent

to the Committee on Paving. Read and accepted.

Jewksbury Weigher of Lights

The Special Committee to whom was referred the petition of A. K. Jewksbury and of Henry Curtis to be appointed Weighers of Lighters, ask leave to report. The Committee have conferred with Mr. Jewksbury & Mr. Curtis and also with Mr. Loring the present Weigher of Lighters, and are satisfied that Mr. Loring is not able to discharge the duties of his office so promptly as the interests of the City require. Mr Loring proposes to appoint Mr. Jewksbury and Mr. Curtis his Assistants. It is thought that this arrangement will obviate the difficulty and the Committee recommend that these appointments when made be confirmed by this Board. For the Committee, S. Reed, Chairman. Read and accepted.

South Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of South Street, by taking land of the Boston and Worcester Rail Road Corporation, said subject was re-committed to the Committee on laying out and widening Streets with full power.

Wendell, Commercial & Chatham Street Sewers in

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of Common Sewers in Wendell Street; in Commercial Street, near City Wharf; and in Chatham Street extended east; said subjects were re-committed to the Committee on Sewers and Drains with full power.

Thomas Fenlon Smith & Hogeis and Benjamin F Tupper were appointed on the Water and Francis E. Howard was appointed a Special Police Officer for the neighborhood of Parsons Steel. — Aug. 22, 1853. Watchmen Police.

Communication was received from Horatio A Crane resigning his office of Inspector & Weigher of Bundle Hay and nominating Andrew J Reed as his successor. Read, and the resignation accepted, and the nomination was referred to Aldermen Cary, Frost & Rich. — Crane Resigns his com.

Richard Riley, B. S. Evans and Lyon and Skinner were appointed Auctioneers of this City, until June 30. 1854. — Auctioneers

Agreeably to the reports of the Committee on Licenses leave was granted to Henry Willard to open the Howard Athenaeum, and to Moses Kimball the Boston Museum for the ensuing Dramatic Season on condition that they employ in their establishments none but the Police Officers of the City to preserve order. Read & accepted. — Howard Athenaeum — Boston Museum.

Leave was granted to J.M. Woods to exhibit certain natural curiosities at Concert Hall. — Woods

Michael Martin and A. Ahons were licensed as Dealers in Second hand articles. — Second hand articles.

Leave was granted to James W. Nightingale to construct coal holes under the sidewalk in Indiana Place. — Nightingale

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Boynton Cross Street

On the petition of David A. Boynton and others, it was ordered that the Superintendent of Streets be and he is hereby directed to cause Cross Street to be repaved.

Evans First Evans Utica, First & Albany Sts.

On the petitions of William Evans that the City would accept and grade Utica Street;- of Ambrose Davis that the wall on First Street may be extended from C. Street;- of Franklin Evans and others that Albany Street may be paved from Beach to Oak Street- the Committee on Paving reported that no action is expedient on said matters at the present time. Read and accepted.

Appleton - Commercial St.

On the petition of William Appleton and others- Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be and he is hereby directed to have Commercial Street, between South and North Market Streets repaired, and that he be authorized to make such change in the grade of the same as he may deem necessary.

State House.

On the petition of the Commissioners for the enlargement of the State House, for leave to close up Mount Vernon Street from Temple Street to Hancock Avenue, for the space of thirty days, the Committee on Paving reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Water Street Sewer.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Sewers and Drains be and he is hereby authorized to cause the Common Sewer in Water Street to be enlarged for the more effectual drainage of the surface

water, which pass through the Common Sewer in said Yard.

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Robinson - North Street

Whereas it appears to this Board that certain tenements in rear of Nº 164 & 166 North Street, and belonging to Mary A. Robinson and Charles Robinson are in a state of nuisance and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants; it is therefore Ordered, That a notice in writing be given to the said parties that they cause the nuisance existing on said premises and consisting of foul and filthy water to be removed within five days from this date, by causing proper and sufficient drains to be constructed for said tenements by which said filthy water may be carried off.

Silver Street.

Whereas it appears to this Board that certain tenements situated on Silver Street, between Dorchester and G. Streets and belonging to A. S. Perkins - A. Haskins heirs Eileen Southard J. C. Stoddard - L. K. Williams - Ann Eaton Geo. E. Bent - G. H. Everson - Thaddeus Allen - Susan Goff - Philip Maguire - Thos. A. Ferris heirs - Jane S. Tuley Benjamin James - James McKenna - Thos Reeder are in a state of nuisance and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants; it is therefore Ordered, That a notice in writing be given to the said parties that they cause the said nuisance existing on said premises and consisting of filthy & stagnant water, to be removed within five days from this date, by causing a proper and sufficient drain to be constructed for said several tenements which shall be common & subject to the use of all the inhabitants thereof & connect with the sewer in Dorchester Street.

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Gardner-Summer Street.

Whereas the lines of Summer Street were prospectively established by this Board by their Resolve passed March 27th 1848. and in consideration of the same and of the widening of said Street on its southerly side at its intersection with Washington Street, certain abuttors entered into an agreement with said City, to surrender to the same, free of cost, the land lying outside of said prospective lines, respectively belonging to them whenever the public convenience should require the said land to be taken, or the buildings on the same should be altered or pulled down by their respective owners - and whereas George Gardner one of the signers of the said agreement has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect new buildings on his estate in said Summer Street, it is therefore hereby Ordered: That due notice be given to the said George Gardner and all other parties interested in the premises to appear before this Board on Monday August 29th instant at four o'clock, P. M., and shew cause, if any they have, why this Board should not proceed to take that portion of said estate which projects beyond the prospective lines of said street in accordance with said agreement.

Stevens.

Second Street

Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next, at 4 o'clock take into consideration the expediency of constructing a common Sewer in Second Street and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who by any more remote means shall receive any benefit there-

ty. Any person making objections thereto, will then and there be heard. 543. Aug. 22. 1853.

Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next, at four oClock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a common Sewer in Everett Street, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their particular Drains into such common Sewer, or who by any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections thereto, will then and there be heard. Dewey. Everett St.

On the petition of Francis C. Loring for the extension of the Mount Vernon Street Sewer, the Committee on Sewers and Drains reported that the common Sewer be extended as prayed for. Read and accepted. Loring. Mt. Vernon Street.

This being the day assigned for a hearing of the parties on the petitions of the Eastern Rail Road and the Boston and Lowell Rail Road corporations, for the estimation of damages occasioned by the extension of their tracks and the location of their routes and Depots in Canal and Friend Streets in this City, and it appearing to the Board, that due notice was given to the several parties in interest, and said parties having appeared before the Board, by counsel or otherwise it was Ordered: That a further hearing in said matter is continued to Monday the 12th day of September next at twelve oClock M. Previous to the commencement of the above hearing, Alderman Sleeper retired from the sitting of the Eastern Rail Road. Boston and Lowell Rail Road.

544. Board at his own suggestion, he being a party in interest.

The Board then adjourned to Tuesday, (tomorrow) at 10 o'clock, A.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Tuesday the Twenty third day of August, A.D. 1853.

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen Whiting and White.

Metropolitan Rail Road.

The subject of the location of the Metropolitan Rail Road in the streets of Boston was taken up, and several additional remonstrances against the same having been presented from A. A. Raymond and others, Samuel Kendall and others, Benjamin Seaver, Samuel Lawrence and others, the counsel for the remonstrants opened the case the hearing having been continued the entire day the Board adjourned to Wednesday next, (tomorrow) at 10 o'clock, A.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Wednesday the Twenty fourth day of August, Anno Domini 1853.

Present

The Mayor & all the Aldermen, except Aldermen Whiting & White.

The hearing on the subject of the location of the Metropolitan Rail Road was resumed and continued till tomorrow (Thursday) at 10 o'clock A.M. Metropolitan Rail Road.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Thursday the twenty fifth day of August A.D. 1853

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Whiting.

Ordered: That instructions be given by the Health Officers of the City, to the Harbor Masters and Pilots of Boston, that all vessels arriving in our harbor from ports where the Yellow Fever is now prevailing be taken to Deer Island to be examined by the Port Physician. Quarantine

The Eastern Rail Road Company filed before the Board a new petition in lieu of their former one presented July 29th last (which was defective in some portions) for the estimation of damages sustained by parties from whom they have taken land in Canal and Friend Streets, for Railroad and Station purposes - which was read and it was thereupon Ordered: That the said Corporation give notice to William A. Reed Benjamin C. Bates, Maurice O'Connell, Simeon Tucker, Charles Gowen, Edwin Adams, Chipman Hinckley - Daniel Dorr - Simeon Smith, the heirs of Samuel F. Morrison Ann Bates Hannah Woodward - Henry C. Woodward - Mia Ann Ma Eastern Rail Road

Sept 12 Isaac N. Lane, Martin Simmons, Willard Whitman, be-
ing on each of them an attested copy of the said petition
and this order thereon, that a hearing will be had upon the
said petition before the said Board of Mayor and Aldermen
on Monday the twelfth day of September next at 12 o'clock M.
at which time they may be heard in relation thereto: and
the Board will then proceed to estimate the damages to
the owners of the land taken by the said Eastern Rail Road
Company according to the Statute in such case made and pro-
vided.

Metropolitan Rail Road. The subject of the location of the Metropolitan Rail Road was resumed;-after listening to the arguments of counsel for the remonstrants and the petitioners, the Board

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Twenty ninth day of August Anno Domini, 1853.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Rich and Frost.

Chamberlain & Ritchie Petition of Chamberlain & Ritchie for permission to erect a Steam Engine at 315 Washington Street. Refered to the Committee on Steam Engines &c.

Communication of the Engineers 5th
of the Fire Department requesting that a bell may be placed Aug. 29. 1853.
upon the School House in Wall Street. Referred to the Com- Wall Street
mittee on Fire Alarms, with full power. Sent down for con- School house.
currence. Came up concurred September 22d

No persons appearing to object Everett
to the proposed construction of Common Sewers in Everett St. & in Second Street, South Boston, said Subjects were re- Second
committed to the Committee on Sewers and Drains with full Street.
power.

No person appearing to object Summer
to the proposed widening of Summer Street by taking land Street
of George Gardner said Subject was recommitted to the Com-
mittee on Streets with full power.

On nomination by the Mayor Watchmen
Abraham Smith_George W. Bartley_and Nelson Mace, were
appointed on the Watch.

Petition of Stephen C. Atkins to Atkins
be compensated for injuries sustained while in discharge
of his duty as a Watchman. Referred to the Mayor.

Petition of Charles H. Brown
that the Culvert on the corner of India Street and India
Wharf, may be enlarged. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of James McDonnell McDonnell
to be compensated for injuries sustained by him from the change Old Road
of grade in Old road so called. Referred to the Committee on Sewers

548. Petition of Hiram Johnson
Aug. 29. 1853. for leave to move a wooden building in Shawmut Av-
Hiram Johnson enue. Referred to the Committee on Paving with full power.

Petition of Sarah Cormerais
for re-adjustment of damages sustained by her from the
change of grade in Church Street. Referred to the Commit-
tee on Paving.

Swett Petition of Silas Swett to be paid
for damage occasioned by the change of grade in Church Street.
Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Todd. Petition of Reuben J. Todd
Cul de Sacs &c. that Cul de Sacs &c. may be accepted and graded from Eighth
Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Richardson- Communication from Thomas
Turnpike Street. Richardson respecting the lines of Turnpike Street, and the
width of the sidewalks on the same. Referred to the Commit-
tee on Paving.

Felch- Petition of Hiram E. Felch for
Leonard- leave to exhibit a Panorama of Italy at Amory Hall- of
Orduay. Leonard & Fleming for a license for the National Thea-
tre the ensuing season- of John P. Orduay for a license
to open Orduay Hall. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Stone Petition of D. Stone Jr. and others,
for the removal of Cab No. 335 from the corner of Beach &
Lincoln Streets. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of John E. Taylor 549.

for leave to give an exhibition of the Art of Self Defence Aug. 29. 1853.
at corner of Belknap and Cambridge Streets. Referred to Taylor
the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Susan L. Burt Burt.

for permission to keep an Intelligence Office at corner of
Kneeland and Tyler Streets. Referred to the Committee on
Licenses.

Petition of Benjamin Pond Pond

for a common Sewer in Paul Street, from Winthrop Street to
Maverick Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers and
Drains.

Petition of the Sheriff of Suf- Court House

folk County that the use of the Court House may be exclu-
sively confined to the Courts of this Commonwealth. Referred
to the Committee on Public Buildings, on the part of this Board.

On the petition of J.W. Howard Howard
and others_ Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be B. Street
and he is hereby directed to cause edgestones to be laid vide Sept. 12. 1854
and the gutters paved in B. Street, from Fifth to Seventh
Streets, the abuttors furnishing edgestones on the spot.

On the petition of Geo. Macy _Macy_
and others_ Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets Lincoln
be and he is hereby directed to cause Lincoln Street to be Street
repaved and graded. See page 555. 6

On the petition of Mary Ann Wilder.
Wilder for abatement of a nuisance in Albany Street, the

330. Aug. 29. 1853.

Committee on Internal Health reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw for the reasons stated in a previous report. Read and accepted.

Gardner

Leave was granted to George Gardner to construct coal holes under the sidewalk in Summer Street.

Mann

Petition of N. P. Mann and others in aid of the petition of Hyman Beecher and others. Referred to the Committee on that subject.

Hay Weigher & Inspector.

The Special Committee of this Board to whom was referred the nomination of Andrew J. Stoud as a Weigher and Inspector of Bundle Hay, reported in favor of the confirmation of said nomination. Read & accepted.

Inspectors of Prisons

Reports of the Inspectors of Prisons on the Jail, House of Correction &c. &c. for July 1853. Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Waste of Water.

A report from the Cochituate Water Board, covering a report made to that Board by the Water Registrar, respecting the kinds of fixtures now used in many parts of the City, and suggesting a removal or change of the same in order to diminish the present waste of water: was referred to the Committee on Water. Sent down for concurrence.

Gardiner

Ordered

On the petition of Henry D. Gardiner Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next, at four o'Clock, P. M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a common Sewer in Border Street and of assessing the expense

thereof on all persons who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who by any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections thereto will then and there be heard.

On the petition of Nathaniel Winsor Jr and others Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will on Monday next, at four o'clock P.M. take into consideration the expediency of lowering the Common Sewer in Brookline Street, east of Shawmut Avenue, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who by any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections thereto will then and there be heard.

Winsor. Brookline Street.

Ordered: That there be paid to the Boston and Worcester Rail Road Corporation the sum of Sixteen hundred and one $^{00}/_{100}$ Dollars in land taken to extend London Street, upon their giving to the City a Deed for the same and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets.

London Street. Boston & Worcester Rail Road

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be and they are hereby authorized to erect a suitable house for Hose Carriage No. at the Massachusetts Iron Works, South Boston the expense thereof not to exceed the sum of two hundred dollars and to be charged to the appropriation for Engine Houses passed Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Septembr 2d

House for Hose Carriage

Aug 3d 1853
Richmond
Street.

Alderman Sleeper having communicated to the Board the need of the existence of a filthy and unfit tenement at No 2. Richmond Street, it was voted that the Board visit the premises tomorrow (Tuesday) at 10 Oclock, A.M.

Adjourned accordingly.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Saturday the Third day of September, A.D. 1853.

Present.

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Alderman Cary.

Horticultural Society

The Committee on the Common &c. to whom was referred the petition of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society for leave to erect a tent upon the Common wherein to hold their annual exhibition for 1853. reported, that the prayer of the petitioners be granted under such restrictions as to the locality and mode of exhibition, as the Committee on the Common shall prescribe. Said report was read and accepted by a vote of 4. to 3. Alderman Frost moved a reconsideration of said vote, which motion was laid upon the table.

Constables.

Aldermen Cary, Rich and Whiting were joined to the Mayor as a Committee to nominate suitable persons as Candidates for Constables the ensuing year.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four Oclock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Fifth day of September, Anno Domini, 1853.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Petition of William E. French and others, that Lincoln Street may be widened between Easter and South Streets. Referred to the Committee on Streets. | French - Lincoln St.

Petition of Lewis Waterman for leave to re-number the streets at South Boston and East Boston. Referred to the Committee on Streets. | Waterman.

Petition of Albert Bowker & others that an Engine may be located in the Fourth Section at East Boston. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department. | Bowker

Petition of W. R. Lovejoy and others that a Sewer may be laid in Webster Street near Sumner Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers & Drains. | Lovejoy

Petition of Sullender Rogers and Hilton and others that the passageway leading from Pearl to Atkinson Streets may be accepted and paved and named. Referred to the Committee on Paving. | Sullender

Petition of Charles Woodberry and others that Wall Street may be graded and paved. Referred to the Committee on Paving. | Woodberry Wall Street

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Beecher — Petition of Mrs. Lyman Beecher and other women, in aid of the petition of her husband and others. Referred to the Special Committee on that subject.

Jebbetts — Lexington St. — Petition of Sarah A. Jebbetts to be compensated for damage sustained by the change of grade in Lexington Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Rayner — Metropolitan Rail Road. — Remonstrance of John Rayner and others against the location of the Metropolitan Rail Road in Hanover Street. Referred to the whole Board.

Harris — Causeway street. — On motion of Alderman Rich, the petition of Isaac Harris and others that Locomotives may be prevented from crossing Causeway Street was taken from the files of the last year and referred to the whole Board, to whom is also committed the subject of a change of motive power on the Boston and Maine Rail Road.

Sardinia. — Communication from the Sardinian Consul covering acknowledgements of the Sardinian Government for attentions shown to the Officers of the Frigate Archimede. Read and sent down. Recommended placed on file.

Mechanic Place pump. — Ordered: That the Superintendent of Health be directed to remove the Old Hemp Tandem in the passage way leading to Mechanic Place, the same being a nuisance to the neighborhood.

Communication from the Com- 555.
mittee on Pumps stating the necessity and practicability of Sep 5. 1855.
lighting East Boston with Gas and asking for a loan of Pumps
three thousand dollars to provide the necessary posts and fix- East Boston.
tures, was read and referred to the Committee on Finance
Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Sep. 15.

No persons appearing to object Border Street
to the proposed construction of a Common Sewer in Border Street Sewer
or to the covering of the Sewer in Brookline Street said sub- Brookline
jects were referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains with Street.
full power.

Communication from the Port Quarantine
Physician requesting that the Quarantine Boat may be or- Boat.
dered to Deer Island for service of said Port Physician. Re-
ferred to the Committee on External Health with full power to
make such arrangements in the premises as they shall deem
expedient.

A license was granted to Pat-
rick Donnigan to sell Second hand articles, at corner of
Plymouth and Northampton Streets.

A license was granted to Intelligence
Susan L. Burt to keep an Intelligence Office at the corner of Office
Kneeland and Tyler Streets.

Ordered: That the Superinten- Lincoln
dent of Streets be authorized and directed to repave so much Street
of Lincoln Street, at the corner of Beach Street, as he shall
deem necessary and to change the grade of the same provid-
ed the abutters make all the alterations required in their

350 sidewalks at their own cost. Ordered: That the order of this
Sep. 5. 1853 Board passed Aug. 29. 1853. directing the Superintendent of
Streets to repave Lincoln Street be and the same is hereby
rescinded

Welch A license was granted to Hiram
E. Welch to exhibit a Panorama of Italy at Amory Hall on
the usual conditions.

Ordway Hall. A license was granted to John
P. Ordway to open the "Ordway Hall" for the ensuing season
on condition that none except Police Officers be employed to
preserve order &c.

National Theatre. A license was granted to Leon-
ard and Fleming to open the National Theatre the en-
suing season, on condition that none but Police Officers of
the City be employed to preserve order at said Theatre.

Richardson Turnpike St. On the communication of Thom-
as Richardson respecting the lines of Turnpike Street, and
the width of the sidewalks on the same, the Committee on
Streets reported that no action is required on the same, read
and accepted.

Taylor On the petition of John E. Taylor
for leave to give an exhibition of the Art of Self Defence at the
corner of Cambridge and Belknap Streets, the Committee on
Licenses reported that no further action is required thereon.—
Read and accepted.

Police On nomination by the Mayor,
J. B. Stiles was appointed a Special Police Officer at the Fitch-
burg Rail Road Station.

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Watchmen.

On nomination by the Mayor J. J. Thomas, Charles J. Cheny and John Gooding were appointed on the Watch.

Gerrish Limerick Place.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a certain vault situated in Limerick Place and belonging to Geo. W. Gerrish is very contracted, small and improperly constructed and is in a state of nuisance and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants; it is therefore Ordered, That a notice in writing be given to the said Geo. W. Gerrish that he cause the nuisance existing on said premises to be removed within five days from this date by building a proper and sufficient vault of brick or stone which shall be made light and large enough for the accommodation of all the occupants of said Limerick Place

Cunningham Mechanic Place

Whereas it appears to this Board that a certain vault situated in Mechanic Place and belonging to James Cunningham, or John O'Neil is very contracted, small and improperly constructed, and is in a state of nuisance and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants; it is therefore Ordered, That a notice in writing be given to the said parties that he cause the nuisance existing on said premises to be removed within five days from this date, by building a proper and sufficient vault of brick or stone, which shall be made light and large enough for the accommodation of all the occupants of said buildings in said place.

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Sanford Washington Avenue.

The Board being advised that a certain tenement on Washington Avenue, being number 11 on said Avenue, is not provided with a suitable vault. Therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to Samuel Sanford, owner thereof, that said owner is hereby required to cause a proper and sufficient vault to be constructed for such tenement, to be at least two feet from the line of the adjoining estate, within five days from this date.

Stone Cross Street.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a certain vault situated in rear of 84 Cross Street and belonging to Phineas A. Stone is very contracted, small and improperly built and is in a state of nuisance and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants; it is therefore Ordered, That a notice in writing be given to the said Stone that he cause the nuisance existing on said premises to be removed within five days from this date, by causing a proper and sufficient vault of brick or stone to be constructed which shall be light and large enough for the accommodation of all the occupants of the houses attached thereto.

Feeley Commercial Street.

Whereas it appears to this Board that certain tenements situated in rear of Commercial & Charter Streets and belonging to James Feeley are in a state of nuisance and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants; it is therefore Ordered, That a notice in writing be given to the said Feeley that he cause the nuisance existing on said premises and consisting of an obstructed drain and insufficient vaults to be removed within five days from this date, by

causing all obstructions to be removed from said drain, and by building a proper vault which shall be large enough to accommodate all the occupants of said tenements said vaults to be entirely rebuilt, the yards and premises to be thoroughly cleaned up to the satisfaction of the committee on Internal Health, and in default thereof the Superintendent of Health and the Chief of Police are charged with the execution of this order. 559. Sep. 5. 1853.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Health is directed to open and repair the drain leading from Half Moon Place through Baker alley, forthwith and to charge the expense thereof to the parties benefitted thereby. Halfmoon Place

Whereas by an order passed by this Board on the twenty second day of August last, it was declared that the tenements in Silver Street between Dorchester and G. streets, and owned by S. S. Perkins, R. Haskins heirs, Gibeon Southard, T. C. Stoddard, S. K. Williams, B. B. Kent, James Sellon, Jr. E. Bent J. Harrison, Thaddeus Allen, Susan Gay, Philip Maguire, John K. Stevens heirs, Jerome Jason, Benjamin James, James McKenna and John Snyder, were in a state of nuisance, and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, and it was then and thereby ordered that notice in writing be given to said parties to cause the said nuisance then existing in said premises and consisting of filthy and stagnant water to be removed within five days from the day of the date of said order by causing a proper and sufficient drain to be constructed for said several tenements which shall be common and subject to the use of Silver Street

all the inhabitants thereof: And whereas it appears that
Sep. 5. 1853 due notice was given to said parties pursuant to said order,
and that the said parties have neglected to cause the
said nuisance to be removed, and that the same still re=
mains a nuisance as before; and whereas the said term
of five days has expired: it is therefore, Ordered, That the
Superintendent of Health be and he is hereby directed to
cause the said nuisance to be removed forthwith, by causing
a proper drain to be constructed as aforesaid, to connect
with the Common Sewer in Dorchester Street at the expense of
the said parties benefitted thereby.

Cross Street. Whereas it appears to this
Goodnow Board that a certain vault situated in rear of 96 Cross Street
and belonging to heirs of Elisha Goodnow is very contracted,
small and improperly built, and is in a state of nuisance
and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants; it is there=
fore Ordered, That a notice in writing be given to the said
Goodnow's heirs that they cause the nuisance existing on
said premises to be removed within five days from this
date by causing a proper and sufficient vault to be con=
structed of brick or stone which shall be light and well drained
for the accommodation of all the occupants of said buildings
belonging to said Goodenow's heirs.

Wiggin Merrimac Street. Whereas, this Board are
satisfied from a personal examination of the premises that
a certain tenement situated in Merrimac Street and number=
ed 22 on said street, belonging to Robert P. Wiggin is in a state
of nuisance caused by the great number of tenants occu=
pying said premises and the absence of any drain or vault

therein contrary to the provisions of the Ordinance relating to the Public Health passed August 20, 1850 and is therefore an unfit place for habitation and is dangerous to the public health; therefore under the powers vested in said Mayor and Aldermen, as a Board of Health, it is hereby Ordered: That a notice in writing be issued to the occupants of said tenement or tenements that they remove from and quit said premises within five days from the date hereof and that the Superintendent of Health and Chief of Police be and they are hereby entrusted with the execution of this order. Also it is further Ordered: That said Robert P. Wiggin be notified to close said premises or to remove the same entirely, as being unfit and dangerous for human habitation, under the penalty affixed to a disobedience of this order. 561. Sep. 3, 1853.

Whereas, this Board are satisfied, from a personal examination of the premises, that a certain tenement or tenements situated in rear of No 2. Richmond Street belonging to Sylvester Whitney are in a state of nuisance caused by the great number of tenants occupying said premises and the absence of any drain or vault therein contrary to the provisions of the Ordinance relating to the Public Health passed August 20, 1850. and are therefore unfit places for habitation and are dangerous to the public health, therefore, under the powers vested in said Mayor and Aldermen, as a Board of Health, it is hereby Ordered: that a notice in writing be issued to the occupants of said tenement or tenements that they remove from and quit said premises within ten days from the date hereof and that the Superintendent of Health and the Chief of Whitney. Richmond street.

562. Police be and they are hereby entrusted with the execution
Sep 5. 1855. of this order. Also it is further Ordered: That said Sylvester Whitney be notified to close said premises or to remove the same entirely, as being unfit and dangerous for human habitation under the penalty affixed for disobedience of this order.

Stone-Stillman Street.

Whereas, this Board are satisfied from a personal examination of the, that certain tenements situated in rear of № 26. Stillman Street, belonging to Phineas A. Stone, are in a state of nuisance caused by the great number of tenants occupying said premises and the absence and want of proper drains and vaults, contrary to the provisions of the Ordinance relating to the Public Health passed August 20. 1850.- and are dangerous to the public health, and unfit places for habitation, therefore, under the powers vested in said Mayor and Aldermen as a Board of Health, it is hereby Ordered: That a notice in writing be issued to the occupants of said tenements that they remove therefrom and quit said premises within ten days from the date hereof and the Superintendent of Health and the Chief of Police be and they are hereby entrusted with the execution of this order. Also it is further Ordered: That notice be given to the said Phineas A. Stone that he thoroughly cleanse said premises, remove all nuisances and filth, and cause a proper and sufficient vault to be constructed for said premises which shall be strong and tight and which shall be large enough to accommodate all the inhabitants of said tenements and in case of his neglect or refusal so to do within three days after said tenants shall have left, the said Superintendent

of Health and Chief of Police are hereby directed to cleanse said premises and to make said new vault at the expense of the said Stone. | 563. Sep. 5. 1853

Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next at 4 o'Clock, P.M. take into consideration the expediency of relaying a part of the Common Sewer in Dedham Street and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who by any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections thereto will then and there be heard. | Dedham Street.

On the petition of Benjamin Pond_ Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will on Monday next at four o'Clock, P.M. take into consideration the expediency of constructing a Common Sewer in Paris Street, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who by any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections thereto, will then and there be heard. | Pond_ Paris Street

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Public Buildings be and he is hereby directed to prepare for this Board, the Annual Return of the Armories now used by the Volunteer Militia, stating the location and rent of each according to the provisions of the 3d Section of the "Act concerning Armories for the use of the Volunteer Militia", passed April 26. 1853. | Armories.

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Streets at South Boston.

Alderman James called up from the table the order offered July 25th last, respecting obstructions in the Streets at South Boston, and the same having been amended was passed, as follows_ Ordered: That the following named persons be notified to appear before this Board on Monday, the third day of October next, at 4 o'clock, P. M., and show cause, if any they have, why all buildings and other obstructions, belonging to them respectively, which now project over the line of the following named Streets respectively, should not be forthwith removed, viz: Bailey & Jenkins, J. P. Monks, Thomas Cain, and Seth Adams, on First Street, between B. & C. Streets: Patrick F. Slane, on Second Street, near B. street, and west of B. Street: heirs of Noah Brooks, Samuel Seeds for Miss Williams, on the twenty feet Street north of Broadway and between Broadway and Third Street, called Athens Street between E. and F. Streets: Samuel Seeds, Isaac Samuels and others, on the twenty feet Street south of Broadway, called Silver Street, between Broadway and Fourth Street, and between D. and E. Streets: Samuel Hill, Frederick Nickerson and all others, on said Silver Street, between E and F streets: and Mathews Nelson, M. Appleby and others, on a twenty feet Street, running from Dorchester Street to G. Street, north of Broadway.

Choate court house & Courts.

The Committee on Public Buildings, on the part of this Board to whom was referred the several petitions of Rufus Choate and others_ of Lyman Mason & others_ of J. P. Healy and others and of the Sheriff of Suffolk County_ praying that better accommodations may be furnished for the Justices Court Room, and for the Court of Com-

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mon Pleas in this County have attended to the subject of said petitions and respectfully Report - That the discomforts and inconveniences complained of by the petitioners are of long standing and are not too highly exagerated - indeed they have occupied the attention of previous governments, who have been quite embarassed as to the proper & best mode of removing these evils. The ground covered by the County Court House is so entirely occupied and contracted, and the rooms within the building are so distributed and arranged that no alterations in, or additions to, the building are practicable. The only method possible, as it seems to your Committee, to meet the present and increasing necessity for better accommodations for the Courts of Suffolk County is to remove the United States Courts & Officers from the building. The amount of business transacted by the U. S. Courts and Officers bears so little proportion to that daily performed by the Suffolk courts and their officers, that it will be less hardship for the former to remove to a new locality than the latter. The United States Government hold no lease of the premises from the City and they are therefore only tenants at will; but from the facts learned in the office of the City Auditor, the U. S. Government are entitled to six months notice from the first day of January next. Your Committee therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee, Benjamin James, Chairman.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police give notice in writing to the United States Marshal for the District of Massachusetts that the Court Rooms and Offices now used by the Government of the United States and its officers in the Suffolk

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566 County Court House be vacated by said Government on
Sep. 5. 1853. or before the first day of July 1854. the intention and desire being to terminate the existing tenancy at will. Read accepted and the order passed.

Alley- Union Street. Whereas Nath[l] Alley's heirs have given notice to this Board of their intention to erect buildings on Union Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Nathaniel Alley's heirs that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Street, and that Monday, the Twelfth day of September instant at 4 o'Clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Allen, Harris & Potter- Atkinson St. Whereas, Allen, Harris & Potter have given notice to this Board of their intention to erect buildings on Atkinson Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Allen, Harris & Potter, that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Street- and that - Monday, the twelfth day of September

instant at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto. 56.
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Whereas James W. Merriam has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Lincoln Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said James W. Merriam that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street - and that Monday the twenty-sixth day of September instant, at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto. Merriam - Lincoln Street.

On motion of Alderman Frost, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the Board accepted the report of a majority of the committee on the Common granting the use of a portion of the Common to the Massachusetts Horticultural Society - for the purpose of erecting a tent thereon, wherein to exhibit their Annual display of fruit and flowers - was taken from the table - and during the discussion of said motion, Alderman Rich offered a minority report adverse to such use of the Common by a private Society: - the Yeas and Nays being required on the subject the question of reconsideration was decided in the negative, as follows; Yeas - Aldermen Rich, James, Common - Mass: Horticultural Society.

and Sleeper 3 Nays The Mayor, Aldermen Reed, Geo. Whiting, White and Frost 6. A motion to print the foregoing reports &c. was lost by a vote of five to three.

Beecher-Liquor Law

The Special Committee to whom was referred the petition of Lyman Beecher and others, and of sundry other parties, men, women and children, in favor of the enforcement of the Act for the suppression of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors- presented a report upon that subject accompanied by the opinions of Wm. Rogers, Esq. Acting City Solicitor, Sidney Bartlett, Esq. and Hon. G.S. Hillard wherein the duties and obligations of this Board are fully set forth and whereby it appears that all the duties incumbent upon the Board under the provisions of said Act have been performed. Alderman Sleeper, a minority of the said Special Committee, also presented a report urging further action upon the Board, and accompanied the same with an order directing the Chief of Police to cause all the "tippling shops" to be complained of, and their owners or occupants to be convicted. The foregoing reports with the opinion of the City Solicitor were laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Adjourned to Monday next, at 12 o'clock, M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Friday the Ninth day of September, A.D. 1853.

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Frost & Whiting.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be directed to fill up and grade so much of Sixth Street as lies between B. and C. streets, as shall be necessary to make it conform to the present level of the remainder of the street. Sixth Street.

Adjourned to Monday next at 12 M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the twelfth day of September A.D. 1853.

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Hayes and Whiting.

Agreeably to assignment the subject of the assessment of damages sustained by the several parties from whom land was taken by the Eastern Rail Road Corporations on Canal and Friend Streets was taken up. On motion of N.J. Lord, Esqr. who appeared on behalf of the foregoing lands leave was granted to the Eastern Rail Road Corporation to amend their second petition by Eastern Rail Road.

3rd inserting in line 10 on page 1 after the words "North westerly on" the words "the Northwesterly side of", and in line 11 after the word "Northeasterly" the words "on Traverse Street and" Also in line 23. after the word "would" the words "authorize them to take the land included in said limits for the purposes aforesaid." Mr Bartlett, of counsel for the Eastern Rail Road suggested if acceptable to the parties in interest that the sworn valuation of the Assessors be adopted pro formâ as the decision of the Board; but this being objected to by some of the parties the Board decided to hear such parties as were present by counsel or otherwise. Accordingly the following parties appeared and were examined by the Board A. H. Fiske, Esqr who appeared for Julia Carr (upon the intimation that the case in question was settled by the parties) gave notice of his desire for a special hearing before the Board should such alleged settlement of Julia Carr's claim prove unfounded Charles Haynes Calvin Fay, James Cowen, Watson & Bisbee, John D. Valentine's heirs, Elisha Woodward's heirs, Martin Timmins, Chipman Hinckley, Simeon Tucker, Maurice O'Connell, Wm L. Beal (who also owns lots charged to B. & Bates) J. G. Hanson, Simeon Smith. The testimony of these witnesses being concluded the Board adjourned to four o'clock this afternoon.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Twelfth day of September A. D. 1853. at 4 o'Clock. P.M.

Present,

The whole Board except the Mayor and Alderman Whiting.

Alderman James was elected Chairman pro. tem.

Petition of John Pratt that a defect in the Charles Street Sewer may be repaired. Read and referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains with full power. Pratt.

Petition of B. T. Reed and others that the City would aid them in the construction of the Mount Washington Avenue. Referred to the Mayor Aldermen Reed. Rich and Whiting, with such as the Common Council may join to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Sept. 15th and Messrs Nicolson, Gardiner, Homer, Thacher, Bonney, Plummer, and Buttrick were joined. Mount Washington Avenue.

The affidavit of A. W. Craven, Civil Engineer of New York respecting the difficulties and inconveniences arising from the laying of rails in the streets of Cities, was presented to the Board and was placed on file with the papers of the Metropolitan Rail Road. Craven. Metropolitan Rail Road.

Petition of Joseph Drew to have the gas lamp replaced and lighted in Auburn Court. Referred to the Committee on Lamps. Drew.

Petition of Elbridge Darling and others that a nuisance in Barton Street caused by a Steam Engine may be abated &c. Referred to the Committee on Steam Engines &c. Darling.

Petition of John Seaver and others, members of the North Watch, that the order re = Seaver. Watchmen &c.

specting their Witness Fees may be reconsidered. Referred
Sep 15th. to Mayor Aldermen Rich, Gray and Whiting.

Williams. Communication from Henry Williams respecting the Clock on Williams' Market. Referred to the Committee on Bells and Clocks.

New England Guards. Petition of the New England Guards for approval of their Armory, corner of Summer and Washington Sts. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board.

Ballou Petition of George Ballou & Co. for license as Dealers in Second hand articles. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Perkins Engine Co. Petition of Perkins Engine Company No 2. for leave to take their Engine to Roxbury on the 15th September. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Bigelow & others Maine Rail Road Petition of John P. Bigelow and 198 others for a change in the motive power on the Boston and Maine Rail Road where it crosses Causeway Street. Referred to the whole Board.

Wellington. Petition of Winslow Wellington to be compensated the damage sustained from loss of his horse in Cambridge Street. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Sep. 15th

Petition of J. J. Humphrey that the General Sign projecting from the building next to the Fremont Temple, may be removed. Referred to the Committee on Paving. | Sep. 13 1875. Humphrey

C. O. & G. Newcomb were licensed as Dealers in Second hand articles. | Second hand articles

On the petition of D. Stone for removal of Cab No 335 from the corner of Beach & Lincoln Street the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted. | Stone

On the petition of Chamberlain & Ritchie for permission to erect a Steam Engine at 313 Washington Street, the Committee on Steam Engines reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted. | Chamberlain

On the communication of John H. Hunnewell and others respecting the grade of Rinceton Street and of Marion Street the Committee on Paving reported that no further action thereon is necessary. Read & accepted. | Hunnewell.

On the petition of J. H. Carter for leave to close up a portion of Spring Lane, the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted. | Carter

On the petition of Edward Tilden and others. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be instructed to pave the gutters and set edgestones on F. street between Fourth and Fifth Streets, providing the abuttors furnish the edgestones upon the ground. | Tilden F. Street.

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Court House Courts.

On motion of Alderman Rich, the vote respecting the removal of the United States Courts and Juries from the County Court House, which was passed at the last meeting of the Board was rescinded and the following order was adopted instead thereof_ Ordered: That the Mayor return to the United States Marshal for the District of Massachusetts that the Court Rooms and Offices now used by the Government of the United States and its Officers in the Suffolk County Court House be vacated by said Government and its officers on or before the first day of January 1854. the intention and desire being to terminate the existing tenancy at will.

Alley Union Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Union Street by taking land of Nathaniel Alley's heirs said subject was referred to the Committee on laying out and widening Streets, with full power.

Allen, Harris & Potter Atkinson Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Atkinson Street by taking land of Allen, Harris and Potter, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets, with full power

Merriam- Lincoln St:

On the notice of intention to widen Lincoln Street near the corner of Essex Street, no person appearing to object_ said subject was laid upon the table.

Jennings- Sumner Street.

Ordered: That the sum of eighteen dollars and eight cents assessed upon Mrs Eliza Jennings for her proportional part of the cost of constructing the com=

mon sewer in Sumner and Bremen Streets be and the same is hereby abated in consequence of her inability to pay the same. | 575. Sep. 12. 1853.

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of the common sewer in Paris Street or to the relaying of the Dedham Street sewer - said subjects were recommitted to the Committee on Sewers & Drains with full power. | Paris & Dedham St. Sewers.

The Joint Special Committee to whom was referred so much of the address of the Mayor as relates to a New Lunatic Hospital, presented a report on that subject recommending the removal of that Institution to a new locality in the neighborhood of the City. Said on the table and ordered to be printed. | Lunatic Hospital New.

On motion of Alderman Rich the following order was taken from the table and adopted:- | Winslow Damage.

Ordered: That there be paid to George S. Winslow the sum of One thousand dollars for damages occasioned by the change of grade in Church Street upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said change; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving.

Ordered: That there be paid to James Mc Donnell the sum of Two hundred dollars for damages sustained by him in consequence of the change of grade in Old Road, South Boston, upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving. | Mc Donnell Old Road

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Woodbury.
Will Street.

On the petition of Charles Woodbury. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to grade and pave Wall Street and to make such alterations in the grade and width of sidewalks as he shall deem expedient.

Lodge
Broad Street

Ordered: That there be paid to John E. Lodge the sum of two hundred and eighty dollars for land taken to widen Broad Street upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets.

Preston.
Washington St

Ordered: That there be paid to Jr. Preston the sum of One hundred and one 00/100 Dollars for land taken to widen Washington Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets.

Lamson
Court.

Whereas it appears to this Board that certain tenements and lots situated on Lamson Court and Street and belonging to heirs of John Snelling - Andrew J. Chamberlain - Timothy M. Tripp - Wm Seavey - Joseph Simmons - James Maxfield - Albert Bowker - Wm H. Hebard - Hans Olsen - Thomas Johnson - James S. Girard - James E. Smith - Wm H. Simmons - and heirs of John D. Sweet, are in a state of nuisance and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants; it is therefore

Ordered, That a notice in writing be given to the said parties that they cause the nuisance existing on said premises and consisting of foul and filthy water &c to be removed within five days from this date by causing a proper and sufficient drain to be constructed for said premises which shall be common to said parties and which shall connect with the Sewer in Everett Street. 577 Sept 12. 1853.

Ordered: That the Board accept and adopt the revised grade of Hanson Street, between Tremont Street and Shawmut Avenue, proposed by the City Engineer: said grade being shown on a profile of the said Street by the said Engineer dated September 12th 1853 and deposited in the office of the Board of Mayor & Aldermen. Hanson Street.

The Board being satisfied that a certain tenement on Rollins Place being number two on said Place, is not provided with a suitable vault, Therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to Edwd N. Holbrook owner thereof, that said owner is hereby required to cause a proper and sufficient vault to be constructed for such tenement, to be two feet from the line of the adjoining estate, within ten days from the date hereof. Holbrook Rollins Place

The Committee on Paving to whom was referred an order to grade Marginal Street, dated July 25. 1853) report that it is inexpedient to take any further action in the premises at the present time. Read & accepted Jeffries Marginal Street

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Old Harbor St:

Ordered: That the Board accept and adopt the grade of Old Harbor Street, between Eighth Street and the northerly line of Ninth Street extended, proposed by the City Engineer; said grade being shown on a profile of the same Street by the said Engineer, dated September 12th 1853. and deposited in the Office of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen.

Gardner.

Summer St:

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Summer Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to George Gardner bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the northerly corner of the said premises, at the point where the boundary line between land of the said Gardner and land of Jacob Bigelow, being extended, meets the southwesterly line of Summer Street as at present established; thence running southwestwardly, along and in the direction of the said boundary line, eleven feet and twenty nine hundredths of a foot; thence southeastwardly, along the proposed line of widening of the said street, sixty nine feet and fifty eight hundredths of a feet; thence northeastwardly along and in the direction of the boundary line between land of said Gardner and land of Sarah J. Davis, nine feet and seven hundredths of a foot; and thence northwestwardly, along the present Highly irregular line of said street, seventy feet and ten hundredths of a foot, to the point of beginning; containing seven hundred & twenty one square feet and fifty seven hundredths of a

square foot, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return [illegible] into Council, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said widening made by E. S. Chesbrough dated Sep. 12. 1853. and deposited in the office of the said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Summer Street, as aforesaid, will amount to ____ dollars. Said widening being in accordance with the resolve of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen dated March 27th 1848. 579. Sep. 12. 1853.

Whereas this Board, by a Resolve passed this day has taken a certain parcel of land, therein described, lying on Summer Street and laid out the same as a public street or way of said City, it is therefore Ordered That due notice be given to George Gardner and all other persons interested as owners, proprietors, tenants, occupants, or otherwise, in said land that they cut off, pull down, remove and carry away all buildings, erections and obstructions of every sort standing on and projecting over the line of said Summer Street as established by the Resolve aforesaid, or, move and set back the same to the said line, and vacate and surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid on or before the first day of October now next ensuing. And in default thereof, the Chief of Police is hereby directed and empowered forthwith to enter upon said land and cause all buildings, erections and obstructions Gardner. Summer street.

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standing on and projecting over the line of said Summer street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down, removed and carried away, or to be moved and set back to said line, and the said land to be vacated and surrendered under the direction of the Committee on laying out and widening Streets.

Harbor.

Ordered: That the final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Boston Harbor for the year 1852, be taken from the files and considered at the present time. Read and laid on the table, the report referred to not yet being made to the City Council.

Adjourned to Monday next at 11 o'clock, A.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the Nineteenth day of September Anno Domini, 1853.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Sleeper and Whiting.

Agreeably to assignment the Board took up the subject of changing the motive power on the Boston and Maine Rail Road, and after hearing testimony on the part of the corporation given by Messrs. Minot and Fletcher, counsel for said company the further hearing was postponed until Tuesday the 27th of September at 11 o'clock, A.M. The Board then adjourned, and re-assembled at four o'clock P.M. for the transaction of its usual business. — Sep. 19, 1853. Boston & Maine Rail Road.

Petition of S.S. Cudworth that a Sewer may be laid in Chambers Street from Cambridge to Eaton Street; of J.H. Fairchild for the construction of a common sewer in E. street, from Broadway to Fourth street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains. — Cudworth. Fairchild. Chambers & E. Street.

Petition of James Kennedy for the extension of the A. street sewer. Referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains. — Kennedy. A. Street.

Petition of Nathaniel J. Bradlee for leave to occupy a portion of Summer Street for the erection of the new building on the Faneuil Estate. Referred to the Committee on Paving. — Bradlee. Summer St.

Petition of George P. Dudley and others to be paid for damage sustained by them from the change of grade in Border Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving. — Dudley. Border St.

Petition of Joseph Davis, and of Jemima Emerson, severally to be paid for damages sustained by them in consequence of the change of grade on the "Old Road", so called. Referred to the Committee on Paving. — Davis. Emerson. Old Road.

Sept 19 1853 McCarty. Petition of James McCarty and that Red Rathington Square may be lighted with gas. Referred to the Committee on Lamps &c.

Armories. The Superintendent of Public Buildings, in conformity with an Order of this Board dated September 5th 1853. presented to the Board a list of the Armories now used by the Volunteer corps of this City, shewing the location and rent of each. Read and referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board.

Darling. On the petition of Elbridge Darling and others that a nuisance in Barton Street occasioned by a Steam Engine may be abated, the Committee on Steam Engines &c. reported that said subject be referred to the Committee on Internal Health. Read and accepted.

Second hand articles. George Ballou & Co. were licensed as Dealers in Second hand articles.

Evans-Hunnewell-Porter & Marion Street. On the petitions of S. Evans and others that Porter Street may be accepted and graded; and of John L. Hunnewell and others that Marion Street may be accepted and graded the Committee on Paving reported that the said measures prayed for are inexpedient at the present time. Read and accepted.

Williams-Fremont St: On the petition of Henry Williams, Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be and he is hereby directed to cause the sidewalk to be laid on Fremont

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Street, near the Worcester Rail Road Bridge.

On the petition of the Perkins Engine Co. No 2. for leave to take their Engine to Prescott, the Committee on the Fire Department reported, that having considered the subject they deemed it inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners. Read and accepted. Perkins Engine Co.

On the petition of E. J. Raymond and others that Concord Street may be raised to the established grade, the Committee on Paving reported that no action is necessary thereon at present. Read and accepted. Raymond Concord Street.

On the petition of Reuben J. Todd that Old Harbor Street may be accepted and graded below Eighth Street — and of George W. Ware and others that Lynde Street may be repaved and macadamized, the Committee on Paving reported that no further action is required thereon. Read and accepted. Todd. Ware.

On the petition of Callender, Rogers and Hilton and others;- Ordered: That the passage way running from between Nos 67 & 69 Saint Street to Atkinson Street, be named Perkins Street, and that the Superintendent of Streets be instructed to have it repaved, and to make any necessary repairs and alterations in the grade of the same. Perkins Street. Callender.

Communication of the Superintendent of Health concerning a nuisance in Bolton Street was referred to the Committee on Internal Health. Bolton Street.

Sep. 19. 1853. Waterman

A communication from Charles Waterman, an inmate of the Boston Lunatic Hospital, concerning his detention in said Hospital and requesting his discharge therefrom was read and referred to Aldermen Rich, Reed and Frost.

City of Water

The Common Council having concurred with this Board in referring the report of the Cochituate Water Board respecting the waste of water, to the Committee on Water, with this amendment "with authority to print the same" said action came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Paving City Stables

Petition of Superintendent of Streets that a building may be erected for the use of the Paving Department in rear of the City Stables, was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings, in concurrence.

Indiana Place London Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets cause portions of Indiana Place and London Street, to be graded, and the sidewalks of Indiana Place laid, including doorsteps and inner edgestones; according to a plan of the same by the City Engineer dated September 19th 1853. and deposited in the Office of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen.

Alms House

The Committee on Institutions at South Boston and Deer Island, to whom was referred the following order of the 14th July, to wit "That the Committee on the Institutions at South Boston and Deer Island, in consultation with the Directors of the House of Industry, be authorized, if they deem it expedient, to remove

the inmates from the said House of Industry at South Boston, and from the wooden building on Deer Island, or any portion of them, and also such new comers as may be placed in their charge, into the new brick building on Deer Island, at such time during the present Municipal year, as they may think the interest of the City and the comfort and safety of the inmates may be thereby most promoted." The Committee have consulted with the Directors and considered the subject, and respectfully Report: That in their opinion it is expedient to remove the inmates to Deer Island, whenever the House is put into a safe condition for the health and safety of its occupants, especial regard being had as to ventilation. The Committee have therefore requested the Directors of the House of Industry to make the removal accordingly. For the Committee, Benjamin Seaver. Read & accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred September 22d

Milk Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to have Milk Street repaved, from Kilby to India Streets, and to make any necessary changes in the grade of the same.

Portland Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to have Portland Street, from Hanover to Sudbury Streets, repaved, and to make any necessary changes in the grade of the same

Sudbury Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to have Sudbury Street repaved from Portland Street to Haymarket Square, and to make all necessary changes in grade of the same

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Causeway Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to have Causeway Street repaved, from Leverett to Wall Street, and to make any necessary change in the grade of the same.

Washington Stred.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to have Washington Street repaved from Essex Street to Sweetser's Court, and to make any necessary changes in the grade of the same.

Boston Theatre Mason Street.

Ordered: That there be paid to the Boston Theatre the sum of Three hundred and ninety 40/100 Dollars for land taken to widen Mason Street, upon their giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets.

Williams Market.

Ordered: That there be paid to the proprietors of the Williams Market the sum of Seventy dollars, in addition to the sum heretofore paid by the City, to complete the amount necessary for the purchase of the illuminated block in that building.

Boston Brigade Band.

Ordered: That the thanks of the City Council be presented to the members of the Brigade Band, for their liberality in volunteering a free Concert, to the citizens of Boston, on the Common on the evening of the Eleventh instant, and for the truly acceptable manner

in which the same was performed. Passed unanimously. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred unanimously.

Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances are hereby requested to consider the expediency of preparing and reporting to the City Council an Ordinance in relation to Steam Engines and Furnaces in pursuance of the Statutes on this subject. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred September 22d

Steam Engines & Furnaces

On nomination by the Mayor the following named persons were appointed Constables of the City of Boston for the ensuing year viz: Derastus Clapp. Isaac F. Coolidge. Rufus R. Cook. William Easterbrook. Elisha V. Glover. Benjamin Heath. Galen Holmes, Jr. Hacheus Holmes. Richard Hosea. John C. Harrington. Alexander Hopkins. Edward J. Jones. William K. Jones. William Loring. John T. Leawton. John C. Leighton. Charles J. Merrill. Harum Merrill. William Munroe. David Patterson. George D. Phillips. James Pierce. James W. Pierce. Jabez Hall. William F. Reed. Edwin Rice. Nathaniel Seaver. Thomas M. Smith. Charles Smith. James E. Spear. Elijah K. Spoor. Oliver H. Spurr. Henry C. Stratton. Henry Taylor. Jacob C. Tallant. Samuel S. Tiale. Silas Warren. William Whitwell. John Wilson.

Constables.

The Committee on the Public Library, together with the Trustees of the same, pursuant to an order of the City Council of the 14th of July, a copy of which is hereto annexed, have after a very careful con=

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sideration, and under direction of the Committee on Public Buildings, purchased as a site for the Public Library, the Wheeler Estate and the dwelling house adjoining, which measure about 95 feet front on Boylston Street, about 99 feet in the rear with a depth of 137 feet, containing about 13,300 Square feet. The materials of the present buildings will be available when the City Hall and a Library Building, and are believed to be of considerable value. The Committee and the Board of Trustees are of opinion that this site will be generally acceptable to the people of Boston. The whole amount of purchase money for said Estates is about Seventy three thousand dollars, for the payment of which sum the City Council are respectfully requested to provide the means. Benjamin Seaver Chairman of Committee on Public Library. Edward Everett, President of the Board of Trustees. The Committee on Public Buildings, under whose direction the foregoing deeds were purchased respectfully unite in the above recommendation. For the Committee, Benjamin James, Chairman. Read and referred to the Committee on Finance in concurrence.

Quincy-
ett Wharf

The Joint Special Committee of the City Council, to whom the petition of Honorable Josiah Quincy, dated July 25 1853 for a final Settlement of his bond given to the City, for the purchase of the City Wharf, was referred, with full power to take such action as they might deem expedient in the premises, have attended to that duty, and respectfully submit the following report of their doings, in relation to the same. The amount remaining unpaid upon Mr. Quincy's bond to the City, including interest up to

August 1. 1853. was $130,729.58. The original amount of the purchase $111,000 had been thus reduced by sales of portions of the property and the substitution of the bonds of the purchasers in place of the indebtedness of Mr. Quincy to that extent. Mr Quincy had effected an arrangement with the Proprietors of Long Wharf, by which they conveyed to him their portion of the dock between City Wharf and Long Wharf, and gave him the right to fill up the same. Mr. Quincy had also laid out two streets in continuation of South Market and Chatham Streets, leaving several lots for stores between them, and easterly of Commercial Street. Five of these lots he had sold as follows, viz: two of them to David C. Snow, one to Asa Jacobs & Asa Jacobs Jr. one to Charles Lane and Russell J. Parker, & one to John Utley and Morris B. Boynton. Contracts had been executed between him and the purchasers, by which they had agreed to erect immediately, upon each of the said lots, a brick or stone warehouse four or five stories in height, at a cost, exclusive of the land, of not less than $9000, to be completed ready for occupation on or before the first day of February next; and to give their notes for the purchase money, secured by mortgage of the premises, which notes were to be payable in five years from the first day of January next, with interest. Mr. Quincy was now desirous of transferring these four contracts to the City, and discharging in full his own bond, so as to be free from his liability thereon, and to receive a deed of all the land purchased by him of the City. The Committee were all of the opinion, that, in consideration of the exertions of Mr. Quincy, in carrying through so large an operation as he has done, effecting so great an

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improvement, and increasing so much the taxable property of the City, he was entitled to be dealed with favor; and that any arrangement which would facilitate his plans, and at the same time be safe for the City, would be agreed to by the City Government. The following arrangement was therefore made, and the necessary papers to complete the same have been duly executed and delivered. A deed, by the City, of all the premises originally bargained to Mr. Quincy, and not sold to other purchasers previously to the last arrangement, was executed and delivered to Mr. Quincy. - Mr. Quincy then gave to the City his warranty deed of the five lots above mentioned. He also transferred to the City the said four contracts, and all rights under the same, including the right to recover the amount to be paid by the said purchasers. The amount of purchase money for the said five lots, as stipulated by said contracts, is $128,907.18. with interest from the 1st day of January next. The balance between that sum and the amount of Mr. Quincy's indebtedness as above mentioned, was paid by him to the City Treasurer in cash; and he gave his note payable on the 1st of January next, for the amount of interest which will accrue between the 1st of August, 1853, and January 1. 1854. Mr. Quincy having thus discharged his liabilities under his bond, it was, (together with the original agreement given by the City to him) given up to be cancelled. The City then gave him an agreement, to make the conveyances of the five lots to the purchasers before mentioned, upon their complying with their agreements under their said contracts, and giving their notes and mortgages as therein stipulated. Mr. Quincy has also guar=

antied the performance of their agreements. The Committee feel confident that the arrangement which has thus been affected will meet with the approbation of the City Council. All which is respectfully submitted. J. P. Rich. B. F. White. Charles Demond. J. T. Heards Peter Kerr. In Common Council. Read and accepted. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Weighers of Lighters.

The ballots being taken and counted for two additional Weighers of Lighters it appeared that Henry Curtis and Elijah C. Turkington were elected in concurrence with the Common Council.

White- Head comer Ward 4th. City Note.

Whereas the Committee on Public Buildings have purchased for the sum of Fifty three hundred and thirteen dollars, of the heirs of James White a parcel of land on Warren Street for the purpose of erecting an engine house, a ward room and a school house thereon; and whereas all the heirs but one, who owns one sixth part thereof, and who is now in Oregon, have executed a conveyance thereof, and have given the City a bond to complete the conveyance with good title, and to save the City of Boston harmless and indemnified for building on the said premises;- Ordered, that the Treasurer of the said City be authorized to execute a note to the said Heirs, for the said sum of Five thousand three hundred and thirteen dollars, payable on the execution and delivery of a satisfactory conveyance of the said land to the City of Boston, by a perfect title, with interest from the fifteenth day of September, A.D. 1853 at four and one half per cent per annum. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Sept 4 1853 Watchman

On nomination by the Mayor Horatio N. P. Hill was appointed a Special Watchman for limit from Dock Square to Summer Street.

Chief of Police

On nomination by the Mayor Gilbert Nute was appointed Chief of Police for the ensuing year.

Police Officers

On nomination by the Mayor, the following named persons were appointed Police Officers for the ensuing year viz: Samuel G. Adams. John Bordman. Thomas Butler. Stephen Curtis Samuel Chesley. Amos Dodge. Alvin S. Drew. John M. Dunn. Daniel Dever. Hezekiah Earle. William D. Eaton. Guilbert A. Ham. Calvin Hutchins. Galen Holmes Jr. Samuel Hinkson. William E. Hough. Simon B. Haustes. George A. Hayward. N. K. Hammond. Charles B. Hadlock. Mark P. Hinkley. James Healey. James Jewett. John Kenny. George M. King. Rufus Leighton. Harrison Marsh. Rufus G. Marsh. Bernard Mc Ginniskin Timothy O'Leary. George W. Oliver. John H. Osborn. John O'Hare. Charles P. Philbrick. John L. Phillbrick. John G. Pattee. Moses F. Page. Atwell Richardson. Edward G. Richardson. John G. Robinson. James O. Rogers. Solomon Reed. Edward H. Savage. Ebenezer Shute. George Smith. Reed Sleeper. Elijah Thompson. Archibald E. Vose. Robert Taylor. John G. Warren. Arnold G. Whitcomb. Simon F. Wright.

Special Police Officers

On nomination by the Mayor, Benjamin Heath. Orick Cook. N. G. Davis. C. W. Rantis. L. J. Pettis. J. Livermore, George Churchill. Thomas Montgomery. Thomas Reed. Patrick Howett. Michael Carr. were appointed Special

Police Officers.— And William B. Tarlton. Daniel Hardy. Orlando W. Harlow. William A. Howard. Hiram Hunt. Isaac C. Irish. George F. Leonard. Michael F. Leary. Frederick P. Moore. Richard Newton. George C. Mc Gregor.— were appointed Harbor Police. | 593. Sep. 19. 1853. Harbor Police.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the Twenty sixth day of September A.D. 1853

Present.

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Petition of Jonathan Parker and others that Thacher Street may be lighted with Gas. Referred to the Committee on Lamps. | Parker

Petition of James M. Stone and others for the use of Faneuil Hall on the evenings of the 1st and 12th of November to the proper [illegible] political meetings therein. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board with full power. | Stone Faneuil Hall

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Field.

Petition of George A. Field and others for liberty to construct coal holes under the sidewalk in Indiana Place. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Pulaski Guards.

Petition of the Pulaski Guards for the approval of their Armory at South Boston. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board.

Comer-Earle.

Petition of George N. Comer for leave to suspend a flag from his chamber window across Washington Street and of John Earle & others in aid of the petition of G. N. Comer were referred to the Committee on Paving.

Dorr-Kimball

Petition of William B. Dorr and others in favor of the appointment of Isaac B. Kimball as a Constable of the City, was referred to the Mayor.

Police Mechanic Exhibition.

At the request of the Managers of the Mechanic Exhibition, Levi Whitcomb - William B. Rowland - Ezekiel Bates - Nathaniel Colton - Joseph B. Smith - Thos. Pool, and John Jay, were appointed Special Police Officers for attendance on said exhibition.

Primary Sch: Com^te Dis^t No. 6.

Petition of Primary School Committee for District No. 6 that an extra allowance be made to a teacher who has just resigned: was read and laid upon the table.

Treasurer's Deputies

Communication from the City Treasurer announcing the appointment of his deputies and

requesting that they be appointed as Constables. Referred to the Special Committee on that subject. 595. Sep. 26. 1853.

On the petition of Spaulding & Rogers for leave to exhibit a Circus Company at the Public Garden, the Committee on Licenses reported in favor of granting the prayer of the petitioners on condition that none but the City Police are employed to preserve order, and that they pay the sum of three Hundred dollars for leave to exhibit three days. Read and accepted. Spaulding & Rogers.

Thomas Gedney was appointed an Auctioneer of this City at No. 82. Washington Street. Auctioneer

Gilbert Nurse, Esq. Chief of Police nominated William D. Eaton as 1st Deputy & Hezekiah Earle 2d Deputy - who were accordingly confirmed by the Board. Police Deputies

The following persons were appointed Constables for the ensuing year. Jonas Hudlon, Silas Carleton, George F. Dexter, George F. Coolidge, Gilbert Nurse, William D. Eaton. Constables.

Ordered: That there be paid to Ebenezer S. Andrews Esq. the sum of Six Hundred and thirty three 95/100 Dollars for land taken to widen Washington Street, upon their giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening Streets; the same being in pur- Andrews Washington Street.

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suance of the award made by Francis O. Watts, Stephen P. Fuller and Enoch Hobart.

Peterson - Washington Street

Ordered, That there be paid to Andrew Peterson the sum of Sixteen hundred and four to dollars for land taken to widen Washington Street, and damages occasioned thereby, including in said sum the sum of five hundred dollars for wall, upon his giving to the City a release for the same, and an acquittance & discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening Streets; the same being in pursuance of the award made by Francis O. Watts, Stephen P. Fuller & Enoch Hobart.

Paine - Washington Street.

Ordered: That there be paid to Charles M. Paine the sum of One hundred and seven Dollars for land taken to widen Washington Street, and damages occasioned thereby, upon his giving to the City a Release for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening Streets; the same being in pursuance of the award made by Francis O. Watts, Stephen P. Fuller and Enoch Hobart.

Watts Val Referees Washington Street.

Ordered: That there be paid to Francis O. Watts, Stephen P. Fuller and Enoch Hobart the sum of Ninety dollars, the same being in full for their services as Referees, in the case of the Reference be-

tween Ebenezer T. Andrews' heirs, Andrew Peterson and Charles 597.
A. Paine and the City of Boston, respecting damages occa- Sep. 26. 1853.
sioned by the taking of land for the widening of Washington
Street; and that the same be charged to the appropriation
for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening Streets.

Ordered: That there be Ritchie-
paid to Uriah Ritchie the sum of Ninety three 40/100 dollars Charter
for land taken to widen Charter Street, upon his giving to street.
the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and
discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in conse-
quence of said taking, and that the same be charged to
the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out
and widening Streets

Whereas, by an order passed Samson
by this Board on the twelfth day of September instant, it Court.
was declared that the tenements situated on Samson Court
and Street, and owned by heirs of John Snelling, Andrew H.
Chamberlain, Timothy K. Tripp, Wm. Seavey- Joseph Simmons-
James Mayfield- Albert Bowker- W. H. Hebard- Hans Olsen-
Thos Johnson- James S. Girard- James E. Smith- W. N. Simmons,
heirs of J. D. Sweet was in a state of nuisance, and danger-
ous to the health of the inhabitants, and it was then and
thereby ordered that notice in writing be given to said
parties to cause the said nuisance then existing in said
premises to be removed within five days from the day of
the date of said order by causing a proper and sufficient
drain to be constructed for said premises which shall be
common to said parties and which shall connect with

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the Sewer in Everett Street: And whereas it appears that due notice was given to said parties pursuant to said order, and that the said parties have neglected to cause the said nuisance to be removed, and that the same still remains a nuisance as before; and whereas the said term of five days has expired: it is therefore, Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be and he is hereby directed to cause the said nuisance to be removed forthwith, by causing a drain to be constructed as aforesaid, at the expense of the said parties benefitted thereby.

Sudbury Street.

The Board being satisfied that certain tenements on Deacon & Sudbury streets, being number 24. & 26. on said street, are not provided with suitable drains. Therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to heirs of Henry Farnum, owners thereof, that said owners are hereby required to cause a proper and sufficient drain to be constructed for such tenements, to be common and subject to the use of all the inhabitants thereof, within five days from the date hereof.

Belmont Square.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be instructed to have Belmont Square graded, in conformity with a plan drawn by the City Engineer, and that the expense of the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving.

Eutaw Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be and he is hereby directed to grade Eutaw Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be and he is hereby directed to grade Princeton Street from Marion to Meridian Streets. Sep. 26. 1853. Princeton St:

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Atkinson Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Allen Harris & Potter bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the most northerly corner of the said premises, at the point where the boundary line between land of the said Allen, Harris & Potter and land of Oliver Jenny meets the proposed line of widening of Atkinson Street; thence running southwestwardly, bounded by land heretofore taken from the said Jenny to widen the said Street, seven feet and sixty four hundredths of a foot; thence northwestwardly, in Atkinson Street, one hundred and seventeen feet and twenty four hundredths of a foot, thence northeastwardly, in Point End, eight feet and twenty nine hundredths of a foot, and thence northwestwardly, along the said line of widening, one hundred and seventeen feet and forty hundredths of a foot, to the point of beginning, containing nine hundred and thirty four square feet, and forty five hundredths of a square foot, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken

Atkinson Street - Allen, Harris & Potter

600 and laid out as a public street or way of the said City -
Sep. 19 1853 according to a plan of the said widening made by J.
Chesbrough dated September 19th 1853. and deposited in the
office of the said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board
doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said At=
kinson Street, as aforesaid, will amount to Thirty seven
hundred and fifty dollars: which sum together with the
amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontin=
uances in said street, during the present municipal year,
does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars.

Perkins Street - Allen, Harris & Potter.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Perkins Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Allen, Harris and Potter - bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the most south=erly corner of the said premises, at the point where the line of widening of Atkinson Street, as this day established by an order of this Board and as proposed will cross Perkins Street; thence running northwestwardly, along the said line of widening, four feet and fifteen hundredths of a foot; thence northeastwardly along the proposed line of widening of Perkins Street, one hundred and seventeen feet and sixty hundredths of a foot; thence southeastwardly, by Perkins Street, six feet and nine hundredths of a foot; and thence southwestwardly, still by Perkins Street, one hundred and seventeen feet and fifty nine hundredths of a foot, to the point of beginning; containing six hundred and two

square feet, and eight hundredths of a square foot, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City, according to a plan of the said widening made by E. F. Chadbourn dated September 19th 1853. and deposited in the office of the said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Pemberton Street as aforesaid, will amount to Eighteen hundred dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars.

Sep. 26. 1853.

The Committee on Finance, who were authorized by the order of 3d of March last, to make such arrangements as in their judgement the best interest of the City might require, to renew or pay off the City Debt becoming due in the financial year 1854-55. Respectfully report that they have negociated with the Messrs Barings & Co. of London, a loan of One Hundred and twenty thousand Pounds Sterling, payable in the year 1858. (twenty five years from date) at the rate of four and an half per cent Interest; principal and interest payable in London, which they consider a very favorable operation for the City, and a flattering demonstration of the estimation in which the credit of the City is held in that Market.

Loan City Debt.

002. The proceeds of this Loan is $583 205. all of which has been
Sept 20 1853 paid into the City Treasury. The amount of the Debt due in
1855 already anticipated amounts to Thirty five thousand
dollars. Other payments on this account will be made
as fast as the notes are presented, of which due notice
has been given, and holders invited to bring them in for
payment. For the Committee Benjamin Seaver, Chair=
man. Accepted in Common Council. Came up for concur=
rence. Read and concured.

New Lunatic Hospital. On motion of Alderman Whit=
ing the report on the subject of the New Lunatic Hospital
(new City Document. № 38.) was taken from the Table, and
is as follows. The Joint Special Committee to whom was
referred so much of the address of the Mayor, as relates to
a new Hospital for the Insane, have given the subject
the anxious attention which its importance demands, and
now beg leave to Report: That they consider the question
of any enlargement of the present Hospital at South
Boston as settled, for no more provision can be made there
to increase the capacity of the buildings. Under these cir
cumstances the Committee have come to the conclusion
to adopt the recommendation suggested in the address
of the Mayor, viz: that it is expedient, and indeed the
imperative duty of the City Council to erect a new Hospi=
tal building, in some convenient and eligible situation,
in the neighborhood of the City, with sufficient land to
give active employment for such of the male patients as
may be able to labor. The Committee are informed that
the experience of every month and every week shows the most

painful necessity for immediate extensive additional ac-
commodations for the insane. In a single day there have
been as many as seven cases of applications for admission
into the Hospital, all of which were refused, for want of
room. The State Lunatic Hospital at Worcester is full to
overflowing, and the Trustees of that institution have lately
been compelled to send back to us ten patients, who had been
sent there by our City, and the Trustees intimated an inten-
tion of sending us six more. We are therefore deprived of
any further source in this way, and the Committee have
reliable information that the new State Hospital at Taunton
will be filled with patients, as soon as it is completed. The
growth of our City and the excitement of the period in
which we live seem rapidly to increase the number of
cases of insanity, and call upon us in the most impera-
tive manner to provide all the remedial means in our
power for its amelioration and cure. Many most pain-
ful cases might be mentioned, which have been refused
admission altogether; and there is no reason to expect
any diminution of such cases in the future. If the City
had adequate means and accommodations for the re
ception of proper subjects for treatment, many of our fellow
creatures might be restored to their reason, and become
useful citizens, and thus many families be rendered com-
paratively happy. The Committee cannot but think that
any unnecessary delay in the prosecution of the object,
will be an act of cruelty to many deserving persons, and
they are confident that judicious measures which the City
Council may adopt to supply the existing pressing want

604 for additional accommodations for the insane, will meet
Sep. 26. 1853 the cordial approbation of the people of Boston. The Com-
mittee would particularly refer to the accompanying letter
from the Hon. Charles Edward Cook, the Chairman of the
Board of Trustees of the Boston Lunatic Hospital in con-
firmation of their opinion. In order to find some suitable
site for a new Hospital a Sub-Committee was appointed to
examine several lots of land which have been offered for
this purpose, that Committee will be ready to report in a few
days, and it is recommended that the City Council visit
the site which they may indicate when their report is pre-
sented. For the Committee. Benjamin Seaver. Read and
accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Oct. 4th Alderman Whiting offered
the following order_ Ordered: That the Superintendent of In-
ternal Health be instructed to make up the pay roll of the late
Hugh Doherty (who died from inhaling foul air in a cess pool
while at work for the City,) for one quarter and that the same
be paid to his widow. Read and laid upon the table.

Oct. 11th On motion of Alderman Sleeper
Liquor Law the reports of the Committee on the petition of Seymen Beech-
er and others for the better enforcement of the Liquor law of
1852. were taken from the table_ and Aldermen Sleeper moved
to substitute the minority report and order for the majority
report; and the Yeas and Nays being required on said motion
were taken as follows_ Yeas_ Aldermen Sleeper, James and
White_3. Nays_ the Mayor, Aldermen Reed, Rich, Whiting,

Gary and Frost. 6. So said motion did not prevail. Aldermen 605.
Whiting then moved the acceptance of the Majority Report,
and the Yeas and Nays being required thereon were taken as
follows. viz: Yeas, The Mayor, Aldermen Reed, Rich, Whiting, Gary
and Frost. 6. Nays. Aldermen Sleeper, Symes and White. 3. So
said motion prevailed.

Adjourned to Tuesday (tomorrow) at 11 o'clock. A.M.

At a meeting of the Board
of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City
Hall on Tuesday the Twenty seventh day of September, A.D. 1853
Present

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Aldermen
Gary, Sleeper and Frost.

Constable

On nomination by the Mayor, Joseph H. Leighton was appointed a Constable of the City for the year ensuing.

Field Indiana Place.

On the petition of George A. Field and others for leave to construct coal holes under the side-walks in Indiana Place, the Committee on Paving reported that the prayer of the petitioners be granted upon the usual conditions. Read and accepted.

Boston & Maine Rail Road.

The hearing of the parties interested in the subject of changing the motive power upon the Boston and Maine Rail Road, from Causeway to Market Road, was resumed, and upon the same was concluded the Board adjourned to Monday next at 10 o'clock, A.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Third day of October, A.D. 1853.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen Cary and Frost.

Boston & Maine Rail Road.

The subject of the change of motive power was resumed by the opponents of the Boston and Maine Rail Road, and all the testimony on both sides was closed.

Adjourned.

The Board assembled again at four o'clock for the transaction of their usual business.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Torrey-

Petition of Havilon Torrey and others that a Lamp may be placed and lighted at the corner of Pinckney and Charles Streets, & Wm. F. Hunnewell that a Lamp may be placed and lighted at the corner of Princeton and Marion Streets. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Petition of William Lincoln 60
and others that a plank sidewalk may be laid in Oct. 3, 1853.
Shawmut Avenue, between Waltham and Dedham Streets. Lincoln
Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of John Gilson respect Gilson
ing the damage to his estate in Church Street. Referred to
the Committee on Paving.

Petition of J. D. Roberts & others Roberts
that Rolling Mill between Tenth and Fifth Streets be accept Rolling Mill
ed and paved. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of E. Forristall & Co. for Forristall & Co.
renewal of their Omnibus License. Referred to the Committee
on Licenses.

The Bonds of the following Constables
Constables were approved by the Board_ Isaac A. Coolidge, bonds.
Rufus T. Fish, Silas Sudden George Hamden Ernest Esqr.
George J. Dexter, William D. Eaton, William Easterbrook, Zacheus
Holmes, Richard Hosea, Benjamin Heath, John C. Harrington,
Edward J. Jones, William K. Jones, John C. Leighton, Joseph
H. Scranton, John T. Gaston, William Loring, William Munroe,
Harum Merrill, C. J. Merrill, George D. Phillips, David
Patterson, Jabez Ratt, Edwin Rice, William F. Reed, James
C. Spear, Nathaniel Sears, Jonas Mullen, Elijah A. Sparr
Henry C. Stratton, Thomas M. Smith, Charles Smith, Jacob
C. Tolland, John Wilson, William Willard, Silas Warren
Samuel S. Vialle.

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Watch.

On nomination by the Mayor, Wallace M. Flanders and George Towne were appointed on the Watch.

Police.

Charles B. Rice and Thomas Bennett were appointed Police Officers of the City for Faneuil Hall Market.

Watchman.

James Curtis was appointed a Special Watchman for the Webster Bank and its vicinity.

Constables.

On nomination by the Mayor, William O. Cheswell, Isaac B. Kimball and Benjamin True were appointed Constables of the City for the year ensuing.

Butman.

The nomination of Asa O. Butman was laid upon the table, and on motion of Alderman Rich, the Committee on Watch, Police &c. were directed to give Mr. Butman a hearing respecting his claim for re-appointment.

Cutler.

Cove Street.

Petition of Amos Cutler and others that Cove street may be widened and paved. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Leeds.

Pearl Street.

Petition of Timothy C. Leeds and others respecting the sidewalk on the westerly side of Pearl Street. Referred to the Committee on laying out and widening Streets.

Young.

Faneuil Hall

Petition of George Young and others, for the use of Faneuil Hall on the 11th or 12th of November next, for a political meeting. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board.

Report of the Chief of Police for the quarter ending September 30. 1853. was read and sent down. In Common Council placed on file. | 609. Oct. 3, 1853. Police.

Report of the Inspectors of Ballast &c for the quarter ending September 30. 1853 was read and and sent down. In Common Council, placed on file. | Inspectors of Ballast.

Communication from the Committee on Sewers and Drains stating that the appropriation for that Department is exhausted, and requesting an additional appropriation therefor. Read and referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Oct. 6. | Sewers & Drains

Communication from the Schuylkill Water Board, inclosing an offer for the purchase of the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct. Read and referred to the Committee on Water. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Oct. 6. | Jamaica Pond

Ordered: That Aldermen Whiting Reed and Cary be a Committee to consider and report upon the expediency of removing the Police Court Rooms from the Suffolk County Court House to the limits of the present Jail Yard in North Charles Street. | Police Court rooms

On the petition of James W. Stone for the use of Faneuil Hall on the evenings of Nov. 1st & 12th the Committee on Public Buildings in the case of the Board reported that the prayer of the petition be granted for Nov. 1st Read and accepted. | Stone Faneuil Hall

Oct. 3. 1853.

Ephraim L. Eliot, Moses Bays and Henry Nichols, deputy collectors under the City and County Treasurer, were appointed Constables of the City for the year ensuing.

Constables.

Waterman.

The special committee of this Board to whom was referred the Communication of Charles Waterman, an inmate of the Lunatic Hospital, concerning his detention and requesting his release therefrom, reported that no further action is required thereon. Read & accepted.

Philadelphia Board of Health.

A communication was received from the Board of Health of Philadelphia transmitting their thanks for the attentions shown to them while on their recent visit to this City. Read and sent down. In Common Council, placed on file.

Bradlee.

Summer Street.

On the petition of N. J. Bradlee for leave to occupy a portion of Summer Street for the erection of the new building on the Gardner Estate, the Common Council concurring reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Eaton—Salem Street.

Whereas a petition has been presented to the Board to widen Salem Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened at the place described in the said petition, it is therefore Hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to Joseph Vaizie, Samuel Speeds, John P. Healy, Benjamin Todd & executor of Snelling, Henry M. Gould, and the heirs of John Stevens, deceased, that this Board intend

to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street - and that Monday the tenth day of October instant, at 4 o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Paving - City Stables.

The Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred the request of the Superintendent of Streets, that a building be erected for the use of the Paving Department in the rear of the City Stables, report the following order. For the Committee, Benjamin James Chairman. Ordered; That the Committee on Public Buildings be authorized to erect a wooden building in the rear of the City Stables, for the use of the Paving Department, at an expense not exceeding Seven hundred dollars, and the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving Road, accepted and the order passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, Oct. 13th

Cudworth - Chambers street.

On the petition of S.S. Cudworth - Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a Common Sewer in Chambers Street and of assessing the expense thereof on such persons who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who by any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby: & any person making objection thereto, will then and there be heard.

Doherty - Collins.

On motion of Alderman Whiting the order to pay Hugh Doherty who was killed while

612. in the Service of the City, was taken from the table, and, having
Oct 3. 1853 been amended by inserting the name of Dennis Collins in=
stead of Hugh Doherty was again laid upon the table.

Streets at South Boston — Obstructions in

This being the day assigned in an order of this Board dated September 5. 1853. for certain parties to appear and shew cause why all obstructions belonging to them which now project over the lines of First, Second, Athens, Silver and other streets at South Boston should not be removed:— Thomas Cain, Seth Adams heirs of Noah Brooks, Samuel Leeds and others appeared and deni=ed that the public streets existed in the premises mentioned in said order— Whereupon Alderman Frost offered the follow=ing order— Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to remove all the obstructions in the streets named in an order passed by this Board September 5. 1853. with as little delay as possible. A. Alderman James moved to amend said order by adding at A. "also the Blockade fences be=longing to the City of Boston"— lost by a vote of 2. to 6. Said order and the accompanying papers were then referred to the Committee on Streets to consider and report thereon.

Adjourned to Thursday next at 9 o'clock, A.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Thursday the Sixth day of October, Anno Domini, 1853

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman James.

The hearing upon the subject of changing the motive power on the Boston and Maine Rail Road in this City was resumed and finished, and the Board then adjourned to Monday next at 4 o'Clock, P.M. — Boston & Maine Rail Road.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Friday the Seventh day of October, Anno Domini, 1853.

Present,

The Mayor, Aldermen Whiting, Reed, Rich and Sleeper

Whereas John M. Barnard has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Ivers Street in the said City and in the opinion of the Board the Safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, and said Barnard has been notified of the intention to widen it is therefore Hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to John Tull and A. H. Bowman that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of their land and laying out the same — Ivers Street. Tull, Bowman. Barnard

Oct. as a public street and that Monday, the tenth day of Oct.
Oct. 7. 1853 ber instant at four o'Clock, P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Seaver Street. Ordered: That the street, forty feet wide, on the northwest side of Belmont Square, running from Webster Street to Sumner Street, be and the same is hereby accepted as a public street and highway of this City - and that the same be named Seaver Street. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be and he is hereby directed to grade Seaver Street and cause edgestones to be set therein.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'Clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the tenth day of October, Anno Domini, 1853.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Sleeper.

Heilge - Robinson. Petition of C. F. Heilge and others that a lamp may be placed and lighted in rear of No. 411 Washington Street - of J. S. Robinson and others that Richmond Street, between Hanover and Salem Streets, may be lighted with gas. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Petition of E. F. Weld that | 615.
Eliot Street may be re-numbered. Referred to the Committee | Oct. 10. 1853.
on Streets. | Weld.

Petition of Ole Bull for leave | Bull.
to give a series of Concerts at the Music Hall — of Thos. Griggs | Griggs.
for leave to exhibit a Durham Bull in Haymarket Square. Re-
ferred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of William Gaylord | Gaylord.
for leave to move a wooden building from Tremont Road into | Boston Sugar
Church Street — and of the Boston Sugar Refinery for leave to lay | Refinery.
down an iron pipe in Webster Street, were referred to the Com-
mittee on Paving with full power.

Petition of John L. Hunnewell | Hunnewell.
respecting the sidewalks in Pierce Street, — of Joseph W. Coburn for | Coburn.
leave to construct a Coal hole in Shawmut Avenue. Referred to
the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Edward A. Raymond | Raymond.
and others that the grade of Rochester Street may be raised | Rochester St.
Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Joseph Smith and others | Smith.
for the use of Faneuil Hall on October 11th of A. H. Gardner & others | Gardner
for the Hall on Oct. 12th — were referred to the Committee on | Faneuil
Public Buildings on the part of this Board with full power. | Hall.

Petition of George S. Hilliard and | Hilliard
others for the use of Faneuil Hall, October 27th to hold a meeting
of the Sons of Maine. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings
on the part of this Board.

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Piffer.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred the remonstrance of J. D. Piffer against the wagon stand opposite his premises in Water Street, reported that the remonstrant have leave to withdraw. Read and thereupon, it was Ordered that said report be recommitted to the Committee on Licenses with instructions to report in favor of the remonstrant.

City Clerk.

Indices to Mortgages.

Petition of the City Clerk that the Indices of Mortgages of Personal Property in his office may be copied. Referred to the Committee on Accounts with full power. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred October 13th

Way-

Albany Street.

On petition of Samuel A. Way. Ordered: That Albany Street between Oak and Harvard Street, be accepted and laid out as a public highway, provided, the South Cove Corporation give to the City a deed of the same.

Roberts-

Rolling Mill

On petition of J. D. Roberts. Ordered: That so much of Rolling Street as lies between Powell and Wall Streets be and the same is hereby accepted and laid out as a public highway of this City, and that the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to grade and pave the same.

Constables

and

The bonds of the following Constables were approved by the Board: Oliver H. Spurr, Elisha T. Oliver, Henry Fuller, Wm. Bass, Francis Nichols and William J. Henshaw.

Forristall & Co.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses, E. Forristall & Co. were licensed to estab=

lish a Line of Omnibuses from Concord Street to the Cus-
tom House.

617.
Oct. 10. 1853.

On the notice of intention to
build by J. & N. Brown on corner of Cambridge and Charles
Streets, the Committee on Streets reported that no widening is
required at the point indicated, but as they understand that a
Steam Planing Mill is to be erected on the premises, they rec-
ommend that the matter be referred to the Committee on Steam
Engines &c. Read and accepted.

Brown.

The Committee on Public Build-
ings on the part of this Board to whom were referred the peti-
tions of George Young & others for the use of Fanueil Hall on Nov.
11. & 12. and of James W. Stone and others for the use of the Hall
on Nov. 12. report that the prayers of the petitioners be granted
and that the use of the Hall be assigned to George Young
and others for the 11th and to James W. Stone and others for
the 12th of November next, on the usual conditions. For the Com-
mittee, Benjamin James, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Young.
Stone.
Fanueil
Hall

Ordered: That there be paid
to Collins and Snow, or to their assigns, the sum of Ninety
five & 50/100 Dollars for damages sustained by them in conse-
quence of the change of grade of Shawmut Avenue and
Waltham Street, upon their giving to the City an acquittance
and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in con-
sequence of said alteration; and that the same be charged
to the appropriation for Paving.

Collins
& Snow.

Whereas a petition has been
presented to this Board that Garland Street may be extended

Emery
Garland St.

618 to Harrison Avenue; and, in the opinion of the Board, the
Oct 18 1853 safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be extended at the place described in the said petition, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to Hiram Curtis, David A. Neal, trustee, and the heirs of Mary Price that this Board intend to extend the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land, and laying out the same as a public street and that Monday, the seventeenth day of October instant at four o'clock P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Police Court Rooms

Ordered: That the Special Committee of this Board to whom was referred the subject of the removal of the Police Court Rooms to the limits of the present Jail in North Charles Street, be authorized if they deem such removal expedient, to report to the Board a plan of the new location and building, with estimates of its probable cost.

Boston & Maine Rail Road

See Dec. 22d 1862

Whereas in the opinion of this Board the safety and convenience of the Public require that a change should be made in the present motive power on the Boston and Maine Rail Road from Causeway Street to their Depot in Haymarket Square, Boston, by virtue of the power vested in this Board by the 4th section of the Act incorporating the Boston and Maine Rail Road Extension Company, passed March 16. 1844. it is Ordered: That from and after the first day of January 1854. no locomotive engine shall be permitted to cross Causeway or Traverse Streets upon the track of the Boston and Maine Extension Rail Road,

and that all cars whether passenger or freight which shall pass said Causeway or Traverse Streets on said track shall be drawn by Horse power instead of Steam, and at a rate of speed not exceeding four miles per hour, and that the gates at the crossings on Causeway and Traverse Streets, from and after the day above named, be removed. 619. Oct. 10. 1853.

Ordered: That the Committee to whom was referred the communication of the Mayor relating the Back Bay Lands, be authorized to report in print. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred October 12th Back Bay Lands

Ordered: That a message be sent to the Common Council proposing a Convention of both branches of the City Council on Thursday evening next at 8½ o'Clock, to determine the number of Representatives it is expedient to send to the next General Court. Convention.

On nomination by the Mayor, Asa O. Butman was appointed a Constable_ P. F. Williston was appointed a Special Police Officer for the protection and maintenance of immigrant Swedes_ and Isaac F. Jones was appointed upon the Welch. Constables_ Police_ Watchmen

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be instructed to have a Culvert constructed in Summer Street, to carry off the surface water. Summer Street

Ordered: That the Treasurer be authorized to borrow under the direction of the Committee Library Room

620 on Finance a sum not exceeding Seventy three thousand dollars, ($73,000) to pay for land on Boylston Street, purchased as a site for the Public Library. Passed in Common Council, Yeas 38. Nays 2. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas, The Mayor, Aldermen James, Reed, Rich, Whiting, Cary, White & Frost 8. Nays none.

Lamps. Ordered: That the Treasurer be authorized to borrow under the direction of the Committee on Finance the sum of Three thousand dollars and that the same be added to the appropriation for lamps, to be expended for extending the use of Gas in lighting the Streets at East Boston. Passed in Common Council Yeas 39. Nay 1. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas The Mayor, Aldermen James, Read, Rich, Whiting, Cary, Frost, White 8. Nays none.

Belmont Square. Ordered: That the Committee on Common and Malls &c. be authorized to cause Belmont Square to be graded and ornamented, and the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for Common, Malls &c.

Salem St. No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Salem Street said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Chambers Street. No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a Common Sewer in Chambers Street, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Sewers and Drains with full power

Watch. The Report of the Captain of the Watch for the quarter ending 30th ult. Read and placed on file.

Ordered: That the Harbor Master be instructed, under the direction of the City Solicitor, to forthwith remove from Boston Harbor, a Sloop anchored on or near the flats of Bird Island, better known as a Tipling shop, that has too long disgraced our City. Passed in common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and referred to the Committee on the Harbor. Sent down for concurrence. Sloop in Harbor.

Agreeably to notice John Tuell and A. H. Bowman appeared and remonstrated against the proposed widening of Ires Stud and after a hearing of the parties, the subject was laid upon the Table. Tuell. Bowman. Ires Stud.

The ballots having been taken and counted for a City Engineer, it appeared that Otis T. Chestrough was elected in concurrence with the Common Council. City Engineer.

The ballots having been taken and counted for a Water Registrar, it appeared that J. Avery Richards was elected in concurrence with the Common Council. Water Registrar.

The reports of the officers appointed to take charge of Tuant children and absentees from School, were read and placed on file Tuant children.

The Reports of the Superintendents of Public Lands, of Streets, of Health and of the Port Physician, for the quarter ending the 30th of September, were read and sent down. In Common Council placed on file. Lands. Streets. Health. Port Physician

The Joint Standing Commit-
tee on Water & whom was referred the offer of Enfield Baker
Baker- for the purchase of the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct property, hav-
Aqueduct. ing considered the matter recommend a reference of the
whole subject to the Cochituate Water Board, with full power.
For the Committee, Benjamin Seaver, Chairman. Read
and laid on the table.

Ivers The Committee on laying out
Street. and widening Streets reported to the Board an order for
widening Ivers Street on the southeasterly side, by taking land
of Bowman and Tull- which order was laid upon the table,
and together with the remonstrance of said Bowman and
Tull was assigned for consideration on Monday next.

North Street- Resolved, That the safety and
Wellington convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that North
Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessa-
ry to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said
City, a parcel of land belonging to Darius Wellington- bound-
ed as follows viz: Beginning at the easterly corner of the
said premises, at the point where the northeasterly line of
land of said Wellington meets the northwesterly line of
North Street, being at the northerly corner of North Street
and Mechanic Street, so called; thence running southwest-
wardly, bounded by North Street, on an irregular line,
forty seven feet and eighteen hundredths of a foot; thence
northwestwardly, by other land of the said Wellington,
five feet and eighty five hundredths of a foot; thence north-
eastwardly, along the proposed line of widening of North

Street, forty six feet and ten hundredths of a foot; and thence southeasterly along the said northeasterly line, three feet and seven hundredths of a foot, to the point of beginning, containing two hundred and nine square feet and thirty one hundredths of a square foot, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land herein described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City, according to a plan of the said widening made by C. S. Gresbrough dated October 10th 1853. and deposited in the office of the said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said North Street as aforesaid, will amount to six hundred and thirty dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars.

Broad Street. French.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Broad street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Hiram French bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the Northerly corner of the said premises, at the easterly corner of land heretofore taken from the said French & within Broad Street; thence running southeasterly bounded by Broad Street forty one feet and thirty seven hundredth of a foot; thence south

024 westwardly, at right angles with the proposed line of widen-
Oct. 10. 1853 ing of the said street, fifty two hundredths of a foot; thence
northwestwardly, along the said line of widening, twenty one
feet and thirty seven hundredths of a foot; and thence north-
eastwardly at right angles with the said line of widen-
ing fifty eight hundredths of a foot, to the point of beginning;
containing seven square feet and seventy five hundredth
of a square foot, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has
been given of the intention of this Board to take the said
parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the re-
turn thereto annexed. It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel
of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken
and laid out as a public street or way of the said City—
according to a plan of the said widening made by E. S.
Chestrough, dated Oct. 10. 1853. and deposited in the office of the
said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge
that the expense of widening the said Broad Street, as afore-
said, will amount to fifty dollars: which sum together with
the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontin-
uances in said street, during the present municipal year,
does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars.

South Street Boston & Worcester Rail Road

Resolved, That the Safety &
convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that
South Street should be widened and for that purpose it is
necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way
of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to the Boston &
Worcester Rail Road Corporation bounded as follows, viz: Be-
ginning at the southwesterly corner of the said premises, at

the northeasterly corner of Lehigh and Utica Streets; thence running northwardly, bounded by Utica Street, twenty seven feet and forty two hundredths of a foot; thence northeastwardly, along the proposed line of widening of South Street, one hundred and eighty three feet; thence southwestwardly, by South Street, one hundred and seventy three feet and twenty hundredths of a foot; and thence southwestwardly, by Lehigh Street thirty three feet and twenty one hundredths of a foot, to the point of beginning; containing thirty seven hundred and twenty four square feet, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said widening made by E. S. Chesbrough dated October 10th 1853. and deposited in the office of the said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said South street, as aforesaid, will amount to Eleven thousand two hundred dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year, does exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read and the foregoing order and rule passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred December 15th

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Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Salem

626 Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary
Vol. 10. 1853 to take, and lay out as a public Street or way of the said City,
four parcels of land belonging to Joseph Veazie, Samuel Speeds,
J. P. Healey and others and Heirs of John Snelling, viz: Firstly,
Veazie a parcel belonging to Joseph Veazie, bounded as follows, viz:
Beginning at the northeasterly corner of the said premises,
at the southwesterly corner of Salem Street and Carroll
Place; thence running southwardly bounded by Salem Street,
eighteen feet and ninety nine hundredths of a foot; thence
westwardly, by land of Samuel Speeds, six feet and eighteen
hundredths of a foot; thence northwardly, along the proposed
line of widening of Salem Street, nineteen feet and twenty
five hundredths of a foot; and thence eastwardly, by Carroll
Place, six feet and one hundredth of a foot, to the point of be=
ginning; containing one hundred and fifteen square feet,
and thirty eight hundredths of a square foot,
Speeds more or less. Secondly, a parcel belonging to Samuel Speeds,
bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the southeasterly
corner of the said premises, at the northwesterly corner of
Salem and Cooper Streets; thence running northwardly,
bounded by Salem Street, on an irregular line, thirty six
feet and eighty three hundredths of a foot; thence westwardly,
by land of Joseph Veazie, six feet and eighteen hundredths
of a foot; thence southwardly, along the proposed line of widen=
ing of Salem Street, thirty six feet and seventy hundredths
of a foot; and thence eastwardly, by Cooper Street, six feet
and thirty nine hundredths of a foot, to the point of begin=
ning; containing two hundred and thirty one square feet,
and seventy four hundredths of a square foot, more or less.
Healey Thirdly, a parcel belonging to J. P. Healey and others, bounded

as follows, viz: Beginning at the northeasterly corner of the 027.
said premises, at the southwesterly corner of Salem and Cooper Oct. 10. 1853.
Street; thence running southwardly, bounded by Salem Street, twenty seven feet and ninety one hundredths of a foot; thence westwardly, by land of Heirs of John Snelling, four fed and sixty two hundredths of a foot; thence northwardly, along the proposed line of widening of Salem Street, twenty seven fed and eighty hundredths of a foot; and thence eastwardly, by Cooper Street, five fed and forty seven hundredths of a foot, to the point of beginning; containing one hundred and thirty eight square fed and fifty five hundredths of a square fool, more or less.
Fourthly, a parcel belonging to Heirs of John Snelling, found- Snelling
ed as follows, viz: Beginning at the southeasterly corner of the said premises, at the northwesterly corner of Salem Street and Bartlett Place; thence running northwardly, bounded by Salem Street, on an irregular line, thirty eight feet and forty five hundredths of a foot thence westwardly by land of Heirs of Healey and others, four feet and fifty two hundredths of a foot; thence southwardly, along the proposed line of widening of Salem Street, thirty eight feet and eighty five hundredths of a foot; and thence eastwardly, by Bartlett Place one foot and forty nine hundredths of a foot, to the point of beginning; containing one hundred and twenty nine square feet, and twenty one hundredths of a square foot, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcels of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcels of land before described be, and the same hereby are, taken and laid out

628. is a public street or way of the said City_ according to a plan of the said widening made by E. S. Chesbrough dated and deposited in the office of the said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Salem street, as aforesaid, will amount to four thousand dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars.

Adjourned to Thursday next, at 8½ o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Boston, held at City Hall on Thursday the Thirteenth day of October, A. D. 1853.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen Reed, White and Frost.

The two branches of the City Council having assembled in

Convention.

Convention for appropriations

Mr. Demond of Ward 8.

offered the following order and order, viz: Received: by the Mayor, Aldermen and Common Council of the City of Boston in Convention assembled that it is expedient for the City to

send Forty Four Representatives to the next General Court of this Commonwealth.— Ordered: That the City Clerk be directed to publish this determination. Read and adopted, a motion of Aldermen Whiting to substitute "thirty" for "forty four" having been lost. The two branches then separated and the Board of Mayor and Aldermen

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the Seventeenth day of October, Anno Domini, 1853.

Present

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Petition of Nathan Matthews and others that Ann Street may be widened between Clark and Fleet Streets. Referred to the Committee on Streets. — Matthews

Remonstrance of the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary against the proposed erection of a Steam Planing Mill adjoining their premises in Charles Street — and a remonstrance of John Templeton and others also against the same, were referred to the Committee on Steam Engines &c. with instructions to give the petitioners a hearing. — Eye & Ear Infirmary. — Templeton.

The Committee on Licenses,

Oct. 17, 1853. agreeably to instructions reported in favor of the removal of

Fuller. the wagon stand from before the premises of A. D. Puffer in Water

Street. Read and accepted.

Prescott — Petition of William Prescott and

Hyer — others that the grade of Princeton Street may be continued to

Loring — Prescott Street — of Francis Hyer and others that Fourth street

Byram — from K. street to the Point may be graded — of C. G. Loring &c

Quincy — and others that Atkinson Street between Broad & Pur =

Princeton, — chase Streets, may be paved — of H. O. Byram and others, that

Fourth — certain sidewalks in Bulfinch Street may be repaired — of Josiah

Atkinson, — Quincy for the grade and level of Commercial Street near

Bulfinch & — Chatham Street, and for the privilege of constructing coal

Commercial Sts. — vaults under the sidewalks — were referred to the Committee

on Paving.

Hawes Fund — Petition of the Trustees of the

School — Hawes Fund for the use of the Ward Room in Ward No. 12.

for the purpose of holding therein their evening Schools, was

referred to the Committee on Public Buildings with full

power. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, Oct. 20th.

City Guards — Petition of Jonas A. French and

Faneuil Hall — others in behalf of the Boston City Guards for the use of

Boston Light — Faneuil Hall, on the nineteenth day of October instant for

Infantry. — the purpose of receiving the Boston Light Infantry on their

return from New York. Referred to the Committee on Public

Buildings on the part of this Board with full power.

Leave was granted to J.W. Coburn to construct coal holes under the sidewalk in Shawmut Avenue. — Oct. 17, 1853. Coburn.

Petition of D.K. Chapman and others for the use of Faneuil Hall on the 20th October and of Aaron Heard and others for its use on the 21st of October, for the purpose of holding therein political meetings. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board with full power. — Chapman. Hobart. Faneuil Hall

On the petition of Laurence Nichols and others that Cotting Street may be accepted &c. the Committee on Paving reported, that no further action is required thereon. Read and accepted. — Nichols. Cotting Street.

On the petition of Charles H. Brown and others that the culvert on the corner of India Street and India Wharf may be enlarged, the Committee on Paving reported, that the prayer of the petitioner be granted. Read and accepted. — Brown

On the petition of W.F. Fuller to be compensated for the damage sustained from the change of grade in Gold Street, the Committee on Paving reported, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted. — Fuller

Sidney Fisher was appointed an Auctioneer of this City — Auctioneer

Leave was granted to William Carpenter to move a wooden building from Tremont Street to Church Street. — Carpenter

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Jenks

On the petition of Samuel H. Jenks for an abatement of an assessment for the construction of the common sewer in Broadway, the Committee on Sewers and Drains reported, that as the subject was investigated fully by a previous board, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Boston Sugar Refinery

On the petition of the Boston Sugar Refinery for leave to lay down a pipe in Webster Street, the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Louie.

Leave was granted to Ed Dora Louie to give a series of Concerts at the Melodeon.

Second hand articles.

Orlando Minot was licensed as a dealer in Second hand articles.

Bolton Street.

The Committee on Internal Health, to whom was referred the subject of a nuisance in Bolton Street reported that as the matter has been attended to by the owner of the property, no further action is required thereon by this Board. Read and accepted.

Police-

On nomination by the Mayor, Thomas Evans was appointed a Special Police Officer for

Watchmen.

St. Stephens Chapel - and Hiram Wilson and Sullivan W. Cutling were appointed on the Watch.

Sons of Maine-

On the petition of G. G. Hillard

Faneuil Hall

and others for the use of Faneuil Hall, October 27th for the

purpose of holding therein a meeting of the "Sons of Maine". The Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board reported that the prayer of the petitioners be granted. Read and accepted.

Constables' Bonds

The Bonds of the following Constables were approved by this Board, viz: James W. Pierce, James Pierce, Alexander Hopkins, Asa O. Butman & E. L. Eliot.

Garland Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed extension of Garland Street, said subject was re-committed to the Committee on laying out and widening Streets with full power.

Librarian

The ballots having been taken and counted for a Librarian of the Public Library, it appeared that Edward Capen was elected in concurrence.

Treasurer

An application from the City Treasurer for the usual appropriation to pay Extra Clerk hire in his office was referred to the Committee on the Treasury Department in concurrence.

Faneuil Hall

The ballots having been taken and counted for a Superintendent of Faneuil Hall it appeared that Henry Taylor was elected.

Voters.

Ordered: That due notice be given that the Voting Lists for the several Wards of this City are now completed, and that they may be examined at the Mayor and Aldermen's room and at the Assessors' office, City Hall and also that one copy may be found at or near the place of voting in each Ward: and all persons

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claiming to be legal voters, are requested to see that their names are correctly registered thereon. The following persons are particularly called upon to see if their names are correctly inserted, viz: Persons taxed in other Wards than those in which they resided in May last. Persons taxed without their given names. Persons who have paid a tax assessed upon them within two years and who have been inhabitants of the City since the first day of May last. Persons, inhabitants of the City, who have received no tax bill for 1853. Naturalized Citizens. Persons who have reached their majority since the first day of May last. Those persons who have not paid a tax assessed upon them within two years according to law have no right to vote. The Mayor and Aldermen will attend at their room, City Hall, every day until the twelfth day of November next inclusive, for the purpose of inserting the names of all legal voters, which through accident or mistake, may have been omitted. All persons, who wish to have their names corrected or inserted must bring their tax bills with them.

Appropriation for Sewers and Drains.

The Committee on Finance have duly considered the communication from the Committee on Sewers and Drains of the 3d instant; they have also had a conference with the Superintendent of that Department on the nature and necessity of the work to be done before the close of the present financial year. Being fully satisfied that an addition of Seven thousand dollars to the balance now at the disposal of that department is necessary, they have voted to recommend to the City Council the passage of the annexed order. For the Committee, Benjamin Seaver,

Chairman. Ordered: That the sum of Seven thousand dol- 635.
lars be added to the appropriation for Sewers and Drains, Oct. 17, 1853.
by transfer from the Reserved Fund. Passed in Common Coun-
cil. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

On the petition of William R. Lovejoy- Sewer
Lovejoy- Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board Street.
will, on Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M. take into consid-
eration the expediency of constructing a Common Sewer in
Sewer Street and of assessing the expense thereof on all
persons who may enter their particular Drains into such
Common Sewer, or who by any more remote means shall
receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections
thereto, will then and there be heard.

The Joint Standing Appropriations
Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred Grammar
the Order of June 27th and July 12th 1853. for building a new Schools.
Grammar School House on Tremont Street, as a substitute
for the Johnson; Also a building for Primary Schools, Engine
House and Ward Room on Warren Street- Report: That they
have advertised for proposals, and owing to the rise of labor
and materials, are unable to complete the buildings for the
sums now appropriated. They find that to complete the Pri-
mary School House, Ward Room &c. in Ward 9. will require
an addition of about ($2000) Two thousand dollars to the
amount already authorized. And to rebuild the Johnson
School House will require an addition of about ($10.000)
Ten thousand dollars. As these two amounts can, in the opin-
ion of this Committee, be spared from the existing appropria-

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tion for Primary School Houses, the Committee recommend the passage of the following Order. For the Committee, Benjamin James, Chairman. Ordered: That the Auditor of Accounts be authorized to transfer from the appropriation for Primary School Houses the sum of Twelve[A] thousand dollars, and that the same be added to the following appropriations, viz: To New Primary School Houses &c in Ward 9. Two thousand dollars.[B] To Grammar School Houses, Ten thousand dollars. Referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent down for concurrence. See page 648.

Wash in Harbor.

The order of the Common Council authorizing the Harbor Master, under the direction of the City Solicitor, to remove from the Harbor a Sloop containing liquor, which order was referred in this Board to the Committee on the Harbor, came up from the Common Council non-concurred as to said reference. Whereupon it was moved by Alderman Frost that this Board recede from its previous vote referring said order to the Committee on the Harbor, and the Yeas and Nays being required they were taken as follows. Yeas, Aldermen Sleeper, James, Reed Rich, Cary, White and Frost. 7. Nays. The Mayor and Alderman Whiting. 2. So said motion prevailed. The question then recurring upon the passage of the original order this Board concurred with the Common Council by the following vote. Yeas. Aldermen Sleeper, James, Reed, Rich, Cary, White, Frost. 7. Nays. The Mayor and Alderman Whiting. 2.

Plymouth Street.

The Committee on Internal Health to whom were referred the several petitions of Ozem McCrillis, Winslow Lewis, Clement Willis, and also a notice of

an impending presentment of the City for a nuisance in the neighborhood of Plymouth and Northampton Sts. have given much attention to the subject and beg leave to report, that as a portion of the alleged nuisance exists in Roxbury, your Committee conferred with a Sub-Committee of the Roxbury City Government and endeavored to adopt some concurrent action in relation to the abatement of said nuisance. Several plans were proposed but they were deemed to be impracticable for many reasons. To change the grade of Plymouth Street would subject the City to great damage - and to fill up the creek running from Roxbury would impair and cut off the rights of drainage, which now exist therein. But after consultation with the Attorney for the District of Suffolk, it was deemed the better plan to prosecute the individual parties who produce the nuisance in the premises - and arrangements having been made with the proper officers for that purpose, who have been furnished with a plan of the premises and the names of the abettors, your Committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject. For the Committee, J. Sleeper, Chairman. Read & accepted.

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Friend Street
Milliken

The Committee on laying out and widening Streets to whom was referred the petition of E. C. Milliken and others for the extension of Friend Street to Dock Square, and the remonstrance of Charles E. Wiggin and others against the same, reported, that they have given the petitioners and the remonstrants a hearing, and they find that the subject underwent a very full investigation before the Committee on laying out and widening Streets for 1851. that

638 the conclusion was then arrived at, that the proposed
Oct 9 1855 extension could not be made and carried through for a
less sum than $80.000. No new facts have been presented
to the present Committee and although the improvement
would be desirable yet in view of the great expense and
the difficulties of the case, the Committee respectfully re=
port that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners.
Read and accepted.

Darling. The Committee on Internal
Health to whom was referred the petition of Elbridge Darling &
others, for abatement of a nuisance caused by a Steam En=
gine in Barton Street, having given the parties a hearing
upon the subject and having consulted with the City Solic=
itor in relation thereto, respectfully Report: That the sub=
ject complained of is not a nuisance, within the meaning
of the Statute, which calls for the interference of the Board
of Health: and that inasmuch as the parties making the
complaint have a remedy at law, it is recommended
that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Com=
mittee, J. Sleeper, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Coggin The Committee on the Market,
to whom were referred the petition of James Coggin for
a new lease of Stall No. 18 in Faneuil Hall Market—
the petition of J.P. Squires and others in aid of James
Coggin—and the petition of E. P. Judd, assignee of said
Coggin, that the City would transfer to him or to E.B. Eaton
the right of said Coggin to his portion of the Stall—that the
same may be sold for the benefit of his creditors, respect=

fully Report That after a careful hearing of the parties in 039.
interest, they are unable to see any good reason for chang- Oct. 17, 1853.
ing or cancelling the present lease of said Stall to Goggin &
Eaton. As long as the rent of said Stall is punctually paid
to the City, and all the regulations contained in the lease
are faithfully adhered to by the original lessees, the City
has no cause nor right to interfere with their private matters,
or to try to settle the conflicting claims between the Lessees and
their Creditors. Your Committee therefore regard James Gog-
gin and E. B. Eaton as the only proper and authorized Lessees
of Stall No. 18. Faneuil Hall Market, and shall continue
to hold them responsible for the performance of their duties
in that relationship, and shall consider them alone as
entitled to all the privileges appurtenant thereto, until
the provisions of their lease shall be violated by them. Your
Committee therefore report that no further action is necessary
on said matter. For the Committee, J. Sleeper, Chairman.
Read and accepted.

The Committee on the Blood
Market to whom was referred the application of David & Bent.
Heald for lease of Stall No. 21, Faneuil Hall Market and
also the application of Windsor Hatch 2d for the lease of
said Stall which was leased by the City to Blood & Bent,
after a hearing of the parties, respectfully report, That the
said Stall was leased to Blood and Bent by the City of Boston
that the rent of said Stall has been punctually paid to
the City, and that the rules and regulations contained in
said lease have been faithfully complied with by the said
lessees. The said Blood and Bent notwithstanding their

6410 failure are desirous of retaining their Stall, and the
Oct. 17. 1853 Committee are unable to see any reason why they should
not remain as tenants of said Stall. Your Committee do
not feel called upon to interfere with the troubles between
the said lessees and their creditors or any of them, and
they therefore report that no further action is necessary in
said matter, the said Blood and Bent being still regard=
ed as lessees of Stall No. 21 in the Market. For the Committee,
J. Keeper, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Watch & Police — Ordered: That the Committee
on the Watch and Police be and they are hereby authorized to
allow payment to be made for extra services performed by the
members of either of the departments, whenever in the opinion
of the Committee it may be proper.

Lamps — An order instructing the Com=
Branch — mittee on Lamps to cause gas lights to be placed, two in Branch
Avenue — Avenue, and one in Spruce Street opposite the East end of
Branch Avenue, and that the expense of the same be charged
to the appropriation for Lamps, Bells &c was referred to the Com=
mittee on Lamps with full power.

Renouf. — Ordered, That there be paid
Bedford — to Edward Renouf the sum of five hundred and ninety $^{45}/_{100}$
Street. — Dollars for land taken to widen Bedford Street, upon his
giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance
and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in con=
sequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the
appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and
widening Streets.

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Armories.

The Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board to whom was referred the report of the Superintendent of Public Buildings respecting the Armories of the Volunteer Militia of this City, respectfully re= port that they have personally examined all the Armories contained in the Schedule hereto annexed, and the approve of the locations of said Armories, and they recommend that the sums thereto affixed as rent for said Armories be paid by the City Treasurer, in equal quarterly payments. For the Committee, Benjamin James, Chairman. Ordered: That the Armories of the several corps of Massachusetts Volunteer Militia in the City of Boston, as contained in the Schedule annex= ed be approved by this Board, and that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to pay to said Companies the amount of rent hereby allowed to said companies respectively for said Armories. — Schedule of Rents to be paid quarterly by the City of Boston for Armories occupied by the Mass: Volun= teer Militia.

Boston Light Dragoons	J. H. Wright	$300.	Boylston Street
Boston Artillery	J. H. Evans	$300.	845 Washington "
Washington Artillery	H. W. Bullock	$300.	East Cottage "
Bay State Artillery	M. R. McCafferty	$250	115 Congress "
Shields Artillery	E. Young	$300	cor Beach & South "
Boston Lt. Infantry	O. D. Ashley	$300	Bumstead Court
N. E. Guards	J. H. Henshaw	$300	Washington St.
Pulaski Guards	A. J. Wright	$300	Broadway
Boston Light Guard	W. W. McKim	$300	School "
Boston City Guards	J. W. French	$200	Court "
2nd Boston Fusiliers	D. Cooley	$300	Union & Marshall.

612.	Mechanic Infantry	J. G. Adams	$300	Gerrish Market.
Oct. 17, 1853.	National Guard	J. W. McGregor	$300	19 Washington St.
	Union Guards	G. W. Brown	$300	Ritchie Hall
	Sarsfield Guards	Lt. Hogan	$300	419 Washington St.
	Independent Cadets	J. C. Amory	$300	Fremont St.

Schedule of rents charged and allowed to Companies occupying buildings belonging to the City.

National Lancers	J. C. Gipson	$300	Quincy Hall
Columbian Artillery	Thos Cahill	250	Cooper Street
American Artillery	D. A. Granger	250	do.
Webster Artillery	E. W. Hincks	250	do.
Washington St. Infantry	S. Flagg	300	Quincy Hall
Ancient Artillery	J. C. Park	250	Faneuil Hall

Read, accepted and the order passed.

Causeway Street

Ordered, That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the owners and abutters on the corner of Causeway and Leverett Streets, to cause their sidewalks to be paved with Brick or Flat Stones, according to law.

East Boston & Chelsea Free Bridge

Ordered: That Aldermen James, White and Whiting be a Committee to confer with the Selectmen of the Town of Chelsea respecting the condition of the East Boston and Chelsea Free Bridge, with full power to make such arrangement for the repair of said Bridge, as they may deem expedient and necessary.

Collins

On motion of Alderman Whiting, the subject of granting a gratuity to Dennis Collins was taken from the table and after a short discussion upon the legality

of the order it was again laid upon the table, and the Board 643.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'Clock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Thursday the Twentieth day of October, Anno Domini, 1853.

Present,

The Mayor and Aldermen Sleeper, Reed, Rich and White.

Garland Street

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Garland Street should be extended twenty five and one half feet to Harrison Avenue, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Hiram Curtis and heirs of Mary Price - bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the northwesterly corner of the said premises, at the point in the easterly line of Washington Street, distant ninety two feet and five hundredths of a foot southwardly from the southeasterly corner of Washington and Decatur Streets, thence running eastwardly, along the proposed northerly line of said new street, three hundred and seventy one feet and ninety four hundredths of a foot, to a point in the westerly line of Harrison Avenue, forty four feet and fifteen hundredths of a foot southwardly from the northeasterly corner of land of the said

Hiram Curtis; thence southwardly, bounded by Harrison Avenue, twenty five feet and sixty hundredths of a foot; thence westwardly, parallel to, and distant twenty five feet and fifty hundredths of a foot southwardly from, the said proposed northern line three hundred and seventy five feet and forty hundredths of a foot; and thence northwardly, by Washington Street, twenty five feet and fifty three hundredths of a foot, to the point of beginning: containing nine thousand five hundred & twenty eight square feet and sixty hundredths of a square foot, more or less; of which, four thousand six hundred and fifteen square feet and fifty hundredths of a square foot more or less, are taken from the said heirs of Price, and four thousand nine hundred and thirteen square feet and ten hundredths of a square foot more or less, from the said Hiram Curtis. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said widening made by E. S. Chesbrough dated October 20. 1853. and deposited in the office of the said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of extending the said Garland Street, as aforesaid, will amount to Seven thousand dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year, does exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Sent down for concurrence. Came up non-concurred, Nov. 8.

Adjourned to Monday next at 4 o'Clock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Friday the Twenty first day of October A. D. 1853.

Present,

The Mayor, Aldermen Reed, Rich, James and White.

Cholera.

Alderman Rich from the Committee on External Health communicated to the Board the fact of the arrival in our Harbor of the Ship Sagadahock from Gottenburg, on which it is reported that the Asiatic Cholera is prevailing, whereupon, it was Ordered: That the Committee on External Health be authorized to make any arrangements, which they may deem expedient in connection with the Directors of the House of Industry &c. by which all danger from the cholera, reported to exist on board Ship Sagadahock recently arrived from Gottenburg, may be averted from the City.

Truants. Police Court Justice.

Ordered: That the order of the City Council, passed on the fourth day of June, in the year eighteen hundred and fifty one, whereby it was ordered, that there be paid to the Senior Justice of the Police Court, at the rate of five hundred dollars per annum, commencing on the 15th of May in said year, and payable pro rata while the Ordinance concerning "Truant Children and Absentees from School" continues in force, be, and the same is hereby rescinded. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, October 24th

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'Clock, P.M

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the Twenty fourth day of October, A. D. 1853.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Alderman Sleeper.

Phelps. Shaving Street

The Board being satisfied that a certain tenement on Shaving Street, so called, being number — on said street, is not provided with a suitable drain. Therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to Abner Phelps, owner thereof, that said owner is hereby required to cause a proper and sufficient drain to be constructed for such tenement, to be common and subject to the use of all the inhabitants thereof, within five days from the date hereof.

Salem Street. Veazie. Speeds. Healey. Snelling.

Whereas this Board by a Resolve passed the tenth day of October instant took a certain parcel of land, therein described, lying on Salem Street and laid out the same as a public street or way of said City, it is therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to Joseph Veazie, Samuel Speeds, J. P. Healey & others, and the heirs of John Snelling, and all other persons interested as owners, proprietors, tenants, occupants, or otherwise, in said land that they cut off, pull down, remove and carry away all buildings, erections and obstructions of every sort standing on and projecting over the line of said Salem street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, or, move and set back the same to the said line, and vacate and surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid on or before the first day of November now next

ensuing. And in default thereof, the Chief of Police is hereby directed and empowered forthwith to enter upon said Land and cause all buildings, erections and obstructions standing on and projecting over the line of said Salem Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down, removed and carried away, or to be moved and set back to said line, and the said Land to be vacated and surrendered under the direction of the Committee on laying out and widening Streets. 647. Oct. 24, 1853.

Ordered: That warrants be issued for the meeting of the legal voters of this City in their respective Wards on Monday the fourteenth day of November next, at Eight o'clock, A.M. for the purpose of giving in their ballots for a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Six Senators for the District of Suffolk, and Forty Four Representatives to represent the City of Boston in the next General Court of this Commonwealth, (that being the number determined upon by the City Council). All to be voted for on one ballot. Also, at the same time, to give in their ballots, enclosed in a sealed envelope, for the ratification or rejection of either or all of the Eight Constitutional Propositions adopted by the Convention of Delegates assembled at Boston, May 4th 1853 for the purpose of altering or revising the Constitution of Massachusetts. The Polls to be kept open until four o'clock P.M. Warrants for said meeting.

Petition of French & Tuce for the grade of I. & K. Streets & Samuel L. Spinney and others that Eighth Street from K. Street to the Point may be opened and graded, were referred to the Committee on Paving. French & Spinney & I. & K. Streets

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Hale

Petition of Joseph Hale to be paid for land taken to widen Leverett and Green Streets. Referred to the Committee on laying out and widening Streets.

Ridgway.

Remonstrance of E. W. Ridgway against the erection of a Stable in Dedham Street. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Magner.

Petition of Robert A. Magner for license as a Dealer in Second Hand Articles. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Seaver street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of the Common Sewer in Seaver Street, said subject was re-committed to the Committee on Sewers and Drains with full power.

Ward Nine Primary School House

Ordered: That an appropriation of Two thousand dollars be added to the previous appropriation for Primary School House in Ward Nine and charged to the appropriation for Primary School Houses. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Appropriations Grammar Schools

The Common Council having concurred with this Board in referring the order respecting the appropriation for Grammar School Houses, to the Committee on Finance (as recorded on page 636) with the following amendment at A. insert "ten" instead of "twelve", and strike out all the words between B. and C. said action came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

On nomination by the Mayor, Harry Price, Ephraim Lillefield and Thomas McGorty, were appointed on the Watch. Dec. 24, 1855. Watchmen

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses, M. Jullien was licensed to give a series of Concerts at the Music Hall, on the usual conditions. Jullien.

The Superintendent of Common Sewers presented to the Board Schedules of assessments for the construction of Common Sewers in Warren Street, Wendell St. Paris Street near Maverick Street, Mount Vernon Street, Davis Street and Fairfield Street, which were referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains. Warren, Wendell, Paris, Davis, Mt. Vernon, Fairfield Sts.

The Joint Standing Committee on the Treasury Department to whom was referred the communication of the City Treasurer asking for an additional appropriation for Clerk hire in his office, recommend, that, for the reasons stated in said communication, the following orders be adopted. For the Committee, J. Sleeper, Chairman. Ordered: That the sum of Five hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated as compensation for extra clerk hire required in the office of the City and County Treasurer for the remainder of the Financial Year. Ordered: That there be paid to the City Treasurer the further sum of Five hundred and eight 67/100 dollars for compensation for services of a special clerk who superintendends the payment of the day laborers employed by the departments of Paving and Internal Sanitation. Read accepted and the orders passed. Sent down for concurrence. Treasurer - Extra Clerk Hire.

(See page 671.)

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Comm.

On the petition of George N. Turner for leave to suspend a flag from the window of his building in Washington Street the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Erkins Petition to the Mayor

The Committee on Paving to whom was referred the communication of the Erkins Petition for the Mayor concerning the sidewalks adjoining their premises, reported, that no action is necessary thereon. Read and accepted.

Thomas & Lillie & Co

The Committee on Paving to whom was referred the communication of John L. Hunnewell respecting the sidewalks in Havre Street of Thomas & Lillie & Co and others, that Wilson's Lane may be repaired, reported that no further action is required thereon. Read and accepted.

Loring. Atkinson St:

On the petition of G. G. Loring & others Ordered that the Superintendent of Streets be instructed to have Atkinson Street, from Broad to Purchase Street, paved and to make any alterations necessary in the grade of the same.

Raymond Brookline St:

On the petition of Edward A. Raymond and others Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be instructed to have Brookline street raised to the required grade.

Prescott Princeton Street.

On the petition of William Prescott & others, that the grade of Princeton Street may be continued to Prescott Street, the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

On the petition of Josiah Quincy for lines and levels of Commercial Street near Wharf Street, and for leave to construct coal arches under the sidewalks the Committee on Paving reported that the City Engineer has been instructed to furnish the petitioner with the lines and levels_and also, that the petitioner have leave to construct coal arches under the sidewalks upon the usual conditions. Read and accepted. — Oct. 24, 1853. Quincy Commercial St

Ordered, That the Committee on Public Instruction be requested to consider and report whether it is expedient to make any, and if any, what, alterations in the salaries of the Teachers of the Intermediate and Primary Schools. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred October 27th — Primary Schools.

The Board having selected eleven hundred and eighty eight Jurymen for the several Courts in the County of Suffolk, it was ordered that said names be copied and placed in the Jury box. — Jurymen

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Common Sewers be and he is hereby authorized to construct a common Sewer in Havre Street, and to assess the cost thereof on the estates benefitted thereby according to law. — Havre street.

Ordered: That the Weighers & Inspectors of Lighters be directed to furnish to the Board a copy of the names and marks of all vessels weighed and marked by them since they have been in office. — Weighers & Lighters

Oct 24. 1853 South Market Street Pump.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Faneuil Hall Market, under the direction of the Committee on the Market, cause the Pump now standing in South Market Street near Commercial Street, to be removed, the same being now disused.

Primary School District No 6

On motion of Alderman Reed, the petition of Primary School Committee for District No. 6. that an extra allowance be made to a Teacher just resigned, was taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Public Instruction. Sent down for concurrence, came up concurred October 27th

Ivers Street. Barnard.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Ivers Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take and lay out as a public Road or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to John M. Barnard bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the northerly corner of the said premises at the Southerly corner of Ivers and Adams Street thence running southwestwardly, bounded by Ivers Street, on an irregular line, one hundred and thirty seven feet and four hundredths of a foot; thence southeastwardly, by Hawkins Street twenty one feet and thirty hundredths of a foot; thence northeastwardly, along the proposed line of widening of Ivers Street, one hundred and forty three feet and fifty eight hundredths of a foot, and thence northwestwardly, by Adams Street, seventeen feet and fifty three hundredths of a foot, to the point of beginning; containing twenty seven hundred and eighty square feet, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of

land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return here- 653.
unto annexed, It is thereupon Ordered That the premises Oct. 11. 1853.
before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out
as a public street or way of the said City according to a plan
of the said widening made by E. S. Chesbrough dated October 10th
1853 and deposited in the office of the said Mayor and Alder-
men. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widen-
ing the said Ivers street, as aforesaid, will amount to Eighty
three hundred dollars: which sum together with the amount
of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said
street, during the present municipal year, does exceed the sum
of Five thousand dollars. Sent down for concurrence. Came up
concurred, December 3d

Resolved, That the safety and Ivers Street.
convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Ivers Trull-
Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to Bowman
take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a
parcel of land belonging to John Trull and A. H. Bowman —
bounded as follows, Beginning at the southerly corner of the
said premises, at the point where the proposed line of widening
of Ivers Street meets the northeasterly line of Adams Street; thence
running northwestwardly, bounded by Adams Street, ten feet
and forty hundredths of a foot; thence northwardly by Adams
and Ivers Streets, nine feet and forty six hundredths of a foot;
thence northeastwardly, by Ivers Street, along an irregular line,
one hundred and seventy nine feet and thirty six hundredths
of a foot, to an angle; thence southeastwardly, still by Ivers Street,
thirteen feet and eighty six hundredths of a foot; and thence
southwestwardly, along the proposed line of widening of Ivers Street,

054. one hundred and seventy eight feet and forty hundredths of a
Oct 27 1853 foot to the point of beginning; containing twenty eight hun-
dred and ninety two Square feet, more or less. And Whereas,
due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to
take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears
by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That
the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is,
taken and laid out as a public Street or way of the said City
according to a plan of the said widening made by C. S. Ches-
brough dated October 10th 1853 and deposited in the office of the
said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that
the expense of widening the said Ives Shed, as aforesaid, will
amount to Eighty Seven hundred dollars; which sum togeth-
er with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discon-
tinuances in said Street, during the present municipal year,
does exceed the sum of Five thousand dollars. Sent down for con-
currence. Came up concurred November 3d

Whiting & Jenkins

Ordered: That there be paid to Whiting and Jenkins the sum of Five hundred and fifty dol-
lars for cutting off and building up the building № 318 Washington
Street, occupied by Mr Jewett, and doing all the work appertain-
ing thereto, upon their giving to the City a receipt for the same;
and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying
out and widening Streets.

Watering Streets

Whereas many of our Streets are
rendered not only uncomfortable but dangerous to pedestrians
from the excessive quantity of water which is sprinkled thereon,
it is hereby Ordered: That the attention of the Chief of Police be

directed to this subject, and that the owners and drivers of all Watering Carts be directed to conform to such orders respecting the time and mode of sprinkling the Streets, as shall emanate from this Board through that officer. 655. Oct. 24, 1853.

Ordered: That the Water Registrar be directed to prohibit the use of all machines and carts for watering the streets, which shall not adopt the form of the strainer now deposited in the office of the Water Registrar. Watering Carts.

The Mayor presented to the Board a report from the majority of the Board adverse to the location of the track of the Metropolitan Rail Road in the streets prayed for by said Company, and giving said Company leave to withdraw their petition. Read, laid on the table and ordered to be printed.- Alderman Frost gave notice to the Board, that a Minority Report on the same subject would be presented to the Board at its next meeting. Metropolitan Rail Road.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the Thirty first day of October, Anno Domini, 1853.

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Dunbar

Petition of Melzar Dunbar and others that a bay window projecting over the line of West Cedar Street may be removed. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Hodge

Communication from John E. Hodge respecting the grade of Broad and Bulley. March Streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Fleet.

Petition of the Heirs of John Fleet to be paid for land taken to widen Leverett and Causeway and Atkinson Streets. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Smith. Hanover Street.

Petition of Pearl, Smith & Co. & others, that Hanover and Portland Streets may be widened at their junction. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Border & Dedham Sts:

The Superintendent of Common Sewers presented to the Board schedules of assessments for the construction of Common Sewers in Border Street and Dedham Streets. Referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains.

Grammar School Houses

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred the order for transferring Ten thousand dollars from the appropriation for Primary School Houses to that for Grammar School Houses, have considered the subject. The im-

portance of the work contemplated, and the want of information on the subject, have induced the Committee to recommend that the order be referred to the Committees on Public Instruction & Public Buildings. For the Committee, Benjamin Seaver. Accepted in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred

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Petition of the Pulaski Guards Company G. to be paid for rent of their Armory previous to May 1853. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred November 3d

Pulaski Guards.

Petition of Francis Mc Connally, for leave to purchase a certain lot of land belonging to the City. Referred to the Board of Public Land Commissioners with full power. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Mc Connally.

Petition of John Doherty, the father of Hugh Doherty who was killed while in the employment of the City, for pecuniary assistance. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Doherty

Petition of George W. Crockett for the extension of the Pearl Street sewer. Referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains, with full power.

Crockett

Remonstrance of Rufus Choate & others against the removal of the Police Court room from the County Court House. Referred to the Special Committee on that subject.

Choate
Police Court.

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Spinney. Eighth Street.

On the petition of Samuel R. Spinney and others that Eighth Street may be opened and graded from K. street to the Point, the Committee on Paving reported that it is inexpedient to take any further action thereon at the present time. Read and accepted.

French I & K. Streets

On the petition of French and De Lance for the grade of I. & K. streets the Committee on Paving reported that it is inexpedient to take any further action thereon at the present time. Read and accepted.

Alger Fourth Street.

On the petition of Francis Alger & others that Fourth Street may be graded from K. street to the Point, the Committee on Paving reported that it is inexpedient to take any further action thereon at the present time. Read & accepted.

Emerson

On the petition of Jemima Emerson to be paid for the damage sustained by her in consequence of the change of grade in the "Old Road," the Committee on Paving reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Read & accepted.

Faneuil Hall.

Petition of A. P. Langley and others for the use of Faneuil Hall Nov.r 9th for a Ten Hour Law meeting — of George F. Williams and others for its use Nov.r 7th for a political meeting — of B. W. Williams and others for its use Nov.r 3d for a Temperance meeting — of O. Dimond and others for its use Nov.r 4th referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board with full power.

Lane & Merry

Lane & Merry were licensed to run two or more Omnibuses from East Boston to the City proper.

On the petition of William | 659.
Lincoln and others that a plank sidewalk may be laid on Shaw | Oct 31 1853.
mut - treet, between Waltham and Dedham Streets the Commit- | Lincoln
tee on Paving reported that it is inexpedient to take any further
action thereon at the present time. Read and accepted.

Leave was granted to Thomas | Mair
Mair to construct Coal arches under his sidewalk in Richmond
Street on the usual conditions.

On the petition of Joseph Davis | Davis.
to be compensated for the damage sustained from the change
of grade in the "Old Road," the Committee on Paving reported that
the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Robert A. Magner was licens- | Second hand
ed as a Dealer in Second Hand Articles | articles.

James R. Tate was appointed | Watchman
on the Watch.

The Report of the Committee | Brinley
on the Assessors Department on petition of George Brinley for abate-
ment of his taxes accepted in this Board in March last was
re-committed in the Common Council to the Committee with
instructions to hear the petitioner. Came up for concurrence. Read
and concurred.

The Common Council having | City
amended the order of this Board passed August 15th last author- | Stables
izing the Superintendent of Health to sell certain old sheds &c. at
the City Stables by inserting at the words "at Chestnut Square

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of. Said action came up for concurrence. Read and concurred

For record of the order see page 320.

Public Buildings Commissioners

Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances consider the expediency of establishing a Board of Commissioners on Public Buildings to have all the powers now exercised by and perform all the duties incumbent upon the Committee on Public Buildings; and also, under the direction of the Mayor and Aldermen to have the charge of the County Buildings - with authority for said Committee to report in print by ordinance or otherwise. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Lighters

In compliance with the order of this Board dated the 24th instant, Messrs Curtis & Jenkins made a report of the number of vessels weighed and marked by them respectively since their appointment. Read and placed on file

Ridgway Stables & Bowling Alleys

The Committee on Internal Health, to whom was referred the remonstrance of E. W. Ridgway against the erection of a stable in Dedham Street, having examined into the matter, find that the Board of Mayor and Aldermen have no power, at present, to prevent the erection of said stable on the premises. In 1851 a law was passed by the Legislature of the Commonwealth, which empowered the Mayor and Aldermen to direct in what parts of the City "a Stable for more than four horses, or a Bowling Alley," shall be located; but this Act, though accepted by the Mayor and Aldermen of that year, was lost in the Common Council. At the recent session of the Legislature, an Act was passed reviving the second section of the Act of 1851, and extending the same for nine months from

May 23. 1853. Accordingly, the present City Council is authorized 661.
by the Act of 1853. to accept the Act of 1851. Should they deem it Oct. 31. 1853.
expedient so to do. The Committee on Internal Health are of opinion,
that the acceptance of the Act would be a beneficial measure to
the City, and would confer a power upon the Mayor and Alder=
men to prohibit the erection of Stables and Bowling Alleys in places
where they might be a nuisance to the neighborhood. Your Committee
therefore recommend the passage of the following order; For the
Committee. J. Sleeper, Chairman. Ordered: That the first section
of the Act of the Legislature of this Commonwealth, entitled "An
Act relating to the erection and use of Buildings for Stables &
Bowling Alleys." passed May 24. 1851. be, and the same hereby is
adopted by the City Council. Read, accepted and the order
passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, Dec. 8th

An order authorizing the City Voting
Treasurer to designate on the Voting Lists the names of all persons Lists
found thereon who have not paid a tax assessed upon them
within two years, according to law, was read and laid upon the
table.

The Committee on Steam Engines Mass: Eye
and Furnaces to whom were referred the notice of intention to and Ear
build by J. S. & J. Bacon on corner of Charles and Cambridge Sts Infirmary
and the remonstrance of the Managers and Surgeons of the Templeton
Mass: Eye and Ear Infirmary and of John Templeton & others Steam Engine
against the re-building of the Steam Planing Mill on said
spot, having given the parties a hearing on the subject, re=
ported, that, under the present laws upon the subject of Steam
Engines and Furnaces and in view of the peculiar circum=

002 stances of the case in question, this Board has no power to
Oct 11 1883 prevent the rebuilding of said Steam Planing Mill and they recommended that the remonstrants have leave to withdraw. Said on the table and ordered to be printed. / Vide City Document № 67.

Commercial Court. Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists in Commercial Court on premises of Samuel Emmes, J. N. Howe, Margaret Ford and Clapp Son, caused by an obstructed drain_ and whereas it appears to this Board that said parties have been duly notified to cleanse said drain; and that they have neglected so to do_ therefore, Ordered: That the Superintendent of Health be and he is hereby directed to cause said drain to be cleansed at the expense of the said parties before mentioned.

Endicott & Stillman Streets. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Health be directed to open and cleanse the obstructed drain in the passageway between between Endicott and Stillman Streets, and to charge the expense thereof to the abuttors who shall be benefitted thereby.

Registry of Deeds Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board be authorized to build in the office of the Registry of Deeds a suitable iron balcony, according to the plan drawn by G. J. F. Bryant, at an expense not exceeding Six hundred dollars, the same to be charged to the appropriation for the County of Suffolk.

Back Bay Lands. Ordered: That an additional number of three hundred copies of the Report concerning the

Back Bay Lands, printed City Document No. 63. 1853. be printed. 663.
Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read & Oct. 31. 1853.
concurred.

Ordered: That the Chief of Nolle
Police and the Deputy Chiefs of Police be, and they are hereby Prosequis.
appointed to enter a nolle prosequi in all prosecutions before the Police Court of the City of Boston, under the bye laws of said City, and to do any other matter or thing in said prosecutions, which may be done by a County or District Attorney in criminal prosecutions and that all appointments of other persons to perform said duties, are hereby revoked.

Ordered: That the order of Quarantine
this Board passed in August last, establishing a quarantine on all vessels arriving from ports where the Yellow Fever then prevailed, be, and the same is hereby, rescinded and that the Pilots of Boston are hereby directed to take those vessels only, into Quarantine, upon which sickness shall exist.

Alderman Frost presented to Metropolitan
the Board a minority report on the subject of the location Rail Road
of the Metropolitan Rail Road, giving his opinion in favor Minority
of the location of said road in Washington, Cornhill, Tremont Report.
and Common Streets, and recommending the passage of the following Order— Ordered, That the City Engineer, under the direction of His Honor the Mayor, and Committee on Laying be and he is hereby directed to locate the Metropolitan Rail Road in and through Washington Street from Roxbury line to Cornhill street, through Cornhill street to and through Tremont street to and through Common street to Washington

664. Street. A double track shall be laid in Washington Street from
Oct 31 1853. Roxbury line to Dover Street, and a single track on the rest of the route: Provided, however, that no location shall be made in said streets by the said City Engineer, or by this Board, or any Committee of this Board, until the said Metropolitan Railroad Corporation shall agree to and adopt the following conditions, to wit: First_The said Corporation shall, either by amendments to its charter, or by some other legal method, or by such other legal instrument as shall meet the approval of this Board, and be deemed sufficient for the purposes therein intended by the City Solicitor, allow the City to retain the entire control of the streets through which said railroad may be located, in the same manner that she now does in respect to repairing, paving, opening the same for laying down or repairing pipes for water or gas, and for the constructing all necessary common sewers or drains, for granting portions of the same to private individuals for building, &c., and also the power to remove the rails in any street where the same may be laid, or to order the same to be removed to another street, whenever the Board of Mayor and Aldermen may deem it necessary for the public convenience so to do. Second_The double track shall be laid in the centre of said Washington Street: the outer rails shall not exceed twelve feet apart; the inner portion of the rail shall be of equal height with the outer, and both rails shall be laid even with the surface of the street or pavement. The rails shall be such as may be approved by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen. Third_The said Corporation shall keep in good repair so much of the street as shall be occupied by their rails, together with three feet on each side. They

shall keep the whole of the street through which they pass, clean= 665.
ed & the filth or dirt in the same manner as the Superintendent Dec. 31, 1853.
of Internal Health is now required to do; and when the same
shall require to be scraped or swept, they shall be required to
do the same, and remove the sweepings and scrapings before
eight O'Clock in the morning. Fourth_ The said Corporation shall
be required to keep or cause to be kept, a sufficient number
of sleighs to convey all passengers on their line, when the use
of the cars shall be obstructed by snow. Fifth The Mayor and
Aldermen shall have power to regulate the rate of fare in this
City, at any time after four years from the commencement of
the cars running. Sixth_ The Mayor and Aldermen of Boston
shall have the right to make any rules from time to time,
regulating the speed at which the cars shall run in this City,
places for stopping, places for turnouts, and such other rules
and regulations as may be deemed necessary by the Board, for
the safety of the public and the convenience of the passengers,
and not inconsistent with the provisions of the charter, or this
order. Laid on the table and ordered to be printed. (City Doc. No. 66.)

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'Clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Seventh day of November, Anno Domini, 1853.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Whiting.

Richardson

Petition of Joseph A. Richardson for pecuniary assistance on account of injuries received while in discharge of his duties as a Watchman. Referred to the Mayor.

Rice - Sutton - Pearson - Doherty - Curtis

Petition of Edwin Rice & others that Lamps be placed and lighted on Saratoga Street; of Sutton, Richardson & others, that Odeon Avenue may be lighted with gas; of John A. Pearson & others that the number of Lamps on Long Wharf may be increased; of Cornelius Doherty that a Gas Lamp may be placed in Everett Place; of Samuel Curtis and others that Hamburg Street may be lighted with gas. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Livermore - Everett St.

Petition of Isaac Livermore & others, that Everett Street may be extended as a public highway, to the Canal Bridge. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Doane

Petition of Elisha Doane to be remunerated the damage occasioned by the proposed extension of London Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Barnard

Petition of John M. Barnard & Co. for leave to close up Chardon, Hawkins and Ivers Streets for a day or two, for the purpose of excavations at their junction. Refered to the Com. on Paving with full power.

Petition of George Hillman & others concerning the title in the Avenue leading from Prince Street to Sharp Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving. — Nov. 7. 1853. Hillman.

Petition of S. A. Stetson and others, that sidewalks may be paved in Bradford Street and that the Street be renumbered. Referred to the Committee on Paving. — Stetson. Bradford St.

Petition of John Holton to be compensated for the damage sustained from the change of grade in I. Street and Broadway — of Eliza P. Page to be paid for damage sustained from the change of grade in the "Old Road" so called. Referred to the Committee on Paving. — Holton. Page.

Petition of J. G. Hubbard for leave to exhibit a Panorama at Lyceum Hall, South Boston. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. — Hubbard

Petition of Nathan Bishop and others in behalf of the Mayhew Teachers Association for the use of Faneuil Hall Nov. 21 & 22. for the purpose of holding therein an educational meeting: and a petition of Farnham Plummer & others for the use of Faneuil Hall Nov.r 8. for the purpose of holding a political meeting therein — were referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board with full power. — Bishop. Plummer. Faneuil Hall.

Jeremiah Murphy, J.r & Daniels and Benjamin Solden were licensed as dealers in Second hand articles. — Second hand articles.

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Lodge

On the Communication of John E. Lodge respecting the grade of Broad and Batterymarch Sheets, the Committee on Paving reported that no further action is required thereon. Read and accepted.

Quarterly report of the City Clerk - Chief of Police - Daily Registrar - Hayweigher - Superintendent of Faneuil Hall Market.

The quarterly report of the City Clerk for the quarter ending Oct. 31. shewing that he has received and paid into the City Treasury the sum of Three hundred and Eighty six dollars; of the Chief of Police for the quarter ending Oct. 31. shewing that he has received and paid into the City Treasury the sum of three thousand five hundred & eighty nine 00 dollars of the City Registrar for the quarter ending Oct. 1 shewing that he has received and paid into the Treasury the sum of Seven hundred and fifty one 75/100 dollars; of the City Hayweigher shewing that he has received the sum of Seven hundred and forty five 75/100 dollars; fifty per cent of which has been paid into the City Treasury; of the Superintendent of Faneuil Hall Market for the quarter ending Oct. 31. shewing that he has received and paid into the Treasury the sum of Eleven thousand seven hundred and thirty one 50/100 dollars — were severally read and sent down. In Common Council, placed on file.

O'Connell

Communication of Maurice O'Connell, charging the Superintendent of Health with neglect of duty. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Hawkins Street - Barnard.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Hawkins Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to

take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to John M. Barnard - bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the most Southerly corner of the said premises, being the westerly corner of land heretofore taken from the said Barnard to widen Hawkins Street; thence running northwestwardly, bounded by Hawkins Street, nine feet; thence northeastwardly, by land heretofore taken from the said Barnard to widen Ivers Street, twenty one feet and ninety eight hundredths of a foot; thence southwardly, along a curve of six feet radius, to which the line of widening of Ivers Street, lately established, and the proposed line of widening of Hawkins Street, are respectively tangent, seven feet and thirty hundredths of a foot; thence southeastwardly, along the proposed line of widening of Hawkins Street, seven feet and fifty hundredths of a foot; and thence southwestwardly, to the said land heretofore taken to widen Hawkins Street, fifteen feet and forty seven hundredths of a foot, to the point of beginning; containing one hundred and sixty nine square feet more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City - according to a plan of the said widening made by E. S. Chesbrough dated October 10th 1853. and deposited in the office of the said Mayor & Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Hawkins Street, as aforesaid, will amount to Five hundred dollars; which sum, together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said Street during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars.

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School Committee members chosen

Message was received from the School Committee proposing to meet this Board in Convention this day for the purpose of filling two vacancies in the former body occasioned by the resignation of the Rev. Edward Cooke of Ward No. 1. and Mr. Nathaniel Winslow of Ward No. 4. The Board having agreed to the foregoing proposition proceeded to form the Convention, and having accordingly assembled

In Convention

Alderman Gary, Drs. Adams and Abbott were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count the votes for a member of the Committee in place of Mr. Winslow of Ward No. 4. who having attended to that duty reported the whole number of votes to be 21. Necessary for a choice 11 Dr. Nathaniel B. Shurtleff having 21. was accordingly elected. The Convention then proceeded to the choice of a member of the Committee for Ward No. 1 vice Rev. Edward Cooke and Alderman Rich Rev. Dr. Bethune and Rev. Mr. Skinner having been appointed to collect, sort and count the votes, reported that the whole number was 21. Necessary for choice 11. Rev. G. F. Cox had 14. and he was accordingly elected. The business of the Convention having been accomplished the two branches separated.

Constable's bond.

The bond of Galen Holmes Jr. as a Constable was approved by the Board.

Everett & Cottage Sts.

The Superintendent of Sewers presented to the Board a schedule of assessments for the construction of a common sewer in Everett and Cottage Streets. Refered to the Committee on Sewers and Drains

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be directed to cause such alterations to be made in the several Watch Houses as shall be conducive to the health and convenience of the officers and men when on duty, and the expense to be charged to the appropriation for Public Buildings. In Common Council referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. — Watch Houses

Ordered: That the Salary bill as finally revised and amended be printed for the use of the City Council. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. — Salary Bill.

Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances consider the expediency of repealing or amending the "Ordinance in relation to contracts with City Officers." Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read & concurred. — Contracts with City Officers.

The Common Council having amended the orders of this Board passed Oct. 24th ult: (recorded on page 649) for the payment of extra clerk hire in the office of the City Treasurer, by inserting at A. the words "not exceeding" and at B. the words "and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Salaries" Said action came up for concurrence. Read & concurred. — City Treasurer extra clerk hire

The Ordinance providing for the organization of the Police and Watch Department of the City of Boston, was re committed in Common Council to the Committee which reported the same. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. — Police & Watch

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Blossom Street

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be and he is hereby authorized to open and cleanse the drain in Blossom Street and to charge the expense of the same to the abuttors benefitted thereby.

Old Harbor Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be instructed to grade Old Harbour Street, below Eighth Street.

Wyman-Primary School Teacher

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Instruction to whom was referred the petition of Hiram S. Wyman and others, in reference to the payment of Seventy five dollars to Mrs. Sarah N. Swan, an Ex Teacher in one of the Primary Schools as an additional and extra compensation, have considered the subject and beg leave to Report: That while the Committee are not insensible to the justice and propriety of shewing in some substantial manner (in the language of the petition) the appreciation the citizens of Boston entertain for long continued and faithful services &c. - yet, in the opinion of the Committee, it should be by individual donations and subscriptions, rather than by appropriations from the City Treasury; inasmuch, as such appropriations if made, would establish a precedent, that would open the door to a flood of petitions, backed by considerations of equal force upon the sympathies of the City Government, and which it would be wholly impracticable and impossible for them to entertain. For the foregoing reasons, the Committee feel constrained in accordance with a sense of duty, most respectfully to grant to said petitioners leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Calvin P. Hinds. Accepted in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

The report of the Joint Stand- | 673.
ing Committee on Water, on the subject of the disposal of the Aque- | Nov. 7. 1853.
duct property was taken from the table and accepted by the | Aqueduct.
Board. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

The Joint Standing Commit- | Appropriations-
tees on Public Instruction and Public Buildings, to whom was | Grammar
referred the order authorizing the transfer of Ten thousand dollars | School Houses-
from the appropriation for Primary School houses to that for | Primary School
Grammar School houses- Report: The two Committees having | house-
met together and given the whole subject a careful consideration | Johnson
recommend the adoption of the following orders. Benjamin Seaver | School house
Chairman of Committee on Public Instruction. Benjamin James
Chairman of Committee on Public Buildings. Ordered: That the
Auditor of Accounts be and he is hereby authorized to transfer the
sum of Ten thousand dollars from the appropriation for Primary
School Houses, to the appropriation for Grammar School Houses.
Ordered: That the Joint Standing Committee on Public Build-
ings be authorized to remove any building or buildings, now
standing on the Johnson School House Estate, if in their judge-
ment such removal shall be deemed expedient. Ordered:
That the Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings be, and
it hereby is, authorized to purchase a lot of land for the purpose
of the erection of a Primary School House suitable for the accom-
modation of Six Schools in Districts Nos 12. and 13- to be charged
to the appropriation for Primary School Houses. Read, accepted and
the orders passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

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Warren Street

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Common Sewers be, and he is hereby, authorized to construct a common sewer in Warren Street, and to charge the same to the appropriation for Public Buildings, said sewer being necessary for the drainage of the new School House now erecting on Warren Street.

White - Chapman Street.

Ordered: That there be paid to Warren White the sum of Forty three hundred and nineteen 84/100 Dollars for land taken to lay out Chapman Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening Streets.

Field & Converse - North Street.

Ordered: That there be paid to Field and Converse the sum of Nine hundred and twenty two 5/100 Dollars for land taken to widen North Street, upon their giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets.

Binney. Lewis Street

The Board being satisfied that a certain tenement on Lewis street, being number 485 on said street, is not provided with a suitable vault. Therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to the heirs of Amos Binney, owners thereof, that said owners are hereby required to cause a proper & sufficient vault to be constructed for such tenement, within ten days from the date hereof.

Whereas pursuant to an Order 673.

of this Board, passed on the 22d day of August 1853 public notice Nov. 7. 1853
thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer has been Wendell
constructed in Wendell Street, the cost of which was Two hundred Street.
and forty two dollars and sixty eight cents, one quarter part
whereof being deducted to be paid by the said City, there remains
One hundred and eighty one dollars 9/100 to be charged to persons
benefitted by the same, according to law: It is therefore, Ordered,
that the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed,
being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged
and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective
names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said
Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice
thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Whereas, pursuant to Orders Dedham
of this Board, passed on the twelfth day of September 1853 Street.
public notice thereof having first been given, a Common Sew-
er has been constructed in Dedham Street, the cost of which was
Thirteen hundred and thirty one Dollars and forty six cents, one
quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City,
there remains Nine hundred and ninety eight dollars 60/100 to
be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: It
is therefore, Ordered, that the persons named in the schedule here-
unto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are
charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respec-
tive names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said
Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof
given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

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Border Street.

Whereas, pursuant to an Order of this Board, passed on the thirtieth day of May 1853. public notice thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer has been constructed in Border Street, the cost of which was Nine hundred and thirty six Dollars and thirty two cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains Seven hundred and two dollars $\frac{24}{100}$ to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: It is therefore, Ordered, that the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Liverpool Street.

Whereas, pursuant to an Order of this Board, passed on the thirteenth day of June 1853. public notice thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer has been constructed in Liverpool Street, the cost of which was Four hundred and thirty two dollars and nineteen cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said city, there remains Three hundred and sixteen dollars $\frac{62}{100}$ to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: It is therefore, Ordered, that the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Whereas, pursuant to an Order of this Board passed on the fourth day of April 1853. public notice thereof having not been given, a Common Sewer has been constructed in Warren Street, the cost of which was Seven hundred and twenty two dollars and twenty nine cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains Five hundred and forty one dollars 72/100 to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: It is therefore, Ordered, that the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees

Nov. 7. 1853. Warren Street.

Whereas, pursuant to an Order of this Board, passed on the 22d day of August 1853 a Common Sewer has been constructed in Mount Vernon Street the cost of which was Three hundred and eighty two dollars and twelve cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains Two hundred and eighty six dollars 59/100 to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: It is therefore, Ordered, that the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Mount Vernon Street.

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Davis Street

Whereas, pursuant to an Order of this Board passed on the 28th day of March 1853 a Common Sewer has been constructed in Davis Street, the cost of which was Three hundred and eighty eight dollars and seventeen cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains Two hundred and ninety one dollars $\frac{17}{100}$ to be charged to persons benefitted by the same according to law: It is therefore, Ordered, that the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Paris Street

Whereas, pursuant to an Order of this Board, passed on the 12th day of September 1853. public notice thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer has been constructed in Paris Street, the cost of which was One hundred and twenty nine dollars and thirteen cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains Ninety three dollars $\frac{85}{100}$ to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: It is therefore, Ordered, that the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Petition of Wm B Clapp for leave to keep and sell Second hand articles. Referred to the Com^e on Licenses

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Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'Clock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Tuesday the eighth day of December, Anno Domini. 1853.

Present.

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen James, Lamy, Frost and White.

The following order was taken from the table. Ordered: That the City Treasurer be directed to designate upon the Voting Lists, the names of all persons found thereon, who have not paid a tax assessed upon them within two years according to law. Passed by the following vote. Yeas, The Mayor Aldermen Sleeper Reed Rich 4. Nay. Aldermen Whiting. 1

Voting Lists

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'Clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the Fourteenth day of December Anno Domini 1853

Present

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen James and Lamy.

Petition of S. G. Howe to be compensated for the damage sustained from the change of grade in the Old Road of Jerry Ford and others that the gutters in Broad Street from Rutland to Concord Streets, may be laid. of James Folsom that the gutter in Rutland Street may be improved so as to carry off the surface water. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Willett

Petition of William Willett and others, that Orange Street may be lighted with gas. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Bent.

Petition of Rufus N. Bent respecting the lease of his Stall No 21. Faneuil Hall Market. Referred to the Committee on the Market.

Jenkins

Petition of Joshua Jenkins and others that a new House may be built for Engine No 1. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Nov. 18.

Engines

Petition of the Engineers of the Fire Department that two new Engines may be built to replace No 11 & 12. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Boy State Artillery.

Petition of the Boy State Artillery for additional payment of rent of their Armory beyond the amount already received. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board with full power.

Constable's bond

The bond of Benjamin True as a Constable of the City, was approved by the Board.

On the petition of William Brigham and others for the widening of Washington Street on the westerly side near Union Park:- The Committee on laying out and widening Streets to whom the within petition was referred, respectfully report, that, as the petitioners contemplated submitting some plan, by which the widening could be accomplished without expense, to the City, but have not yet matured such a plan,- the Committee recommend that the subject be referred to the next Board of Mayor and Aldermen. For the Committee, S. Reed, Chairman. Read and accepted. Nov. 14, 1853. Brigham-Washington Street

On the petition of Amos Cutler and others that Cove Street may be widened and paved:- The Committee on laying out and widening Streets, to whom the within petition was referred respectfully report the accompanying order of notice of intention to widen; and recommend that that part of the petition which relates to paving be referred to the Committee on Paving and Repairs of Streets. For the Committee, S. Reed, Chairman.- Whereas Amos Cutler and others have petitioned this Board that Cove Street may be widened, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to W. F. Jenkins and Moses French, Junior, that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street- and that Monday, the twenty first day of November instant, at 4 o'clock, P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any Cutler-Jenkins-French-Cove Street

objections which may be made thereto. Read, accepted and
Nov. 14. 1853 the order passed.

Piper — On the petition of Solomon Piper
Sea Street. and others, that Sea Street may be widened on the westerly side the Committee on Streets reported that it is inexpedient to make the widening prayed for at the present time. Read and accepted.

Lewis. On the petition of Ambrose Lewis and others that First Street may be extended, the Committee on Streets reported that it is inexpedient at present to grant the prayer of the petitioners. Read and accepted.

Pearl — On the petition of Pearl, Smith & others
Hanover Street. and others that Hanover and Portland Streets may be widened, the Committee on Streets reported, that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners at the present time. Read and accepted.

Second hand articles. W. B. Clapp was allowed a license as a dealer in Second hand articles at No. 10 Salem St.

Hubbard J. G. Hubbard was permitted to exhibit a Panorama at Lyceum Hall, South Boston.

Jewett Washington Street. Ordered: That there be paid to Isley Jewett the sum of Nine hundred dollars for land taken to widen Washington Street, and for damage to his tenancy, upon his giving a sufficient release, and also release from Edin Partridge, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking;

and that the same be changed to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets.

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On nomination by the Mayor, George Hill, John Dee, and William Eaton were appointed Special Police Officers for the ensuing year.

Police.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses, the license heretofore granted by the Board to Timothy Wood's No 100 Blackstone Road as a dealer in second hand articles was revoked by the Board.

Second hand dealers license revoked.

The Superintendent of Common Sewers presented to the Board a Schedule of assessments for the construction of a Common Sewer in First, H. and I. Sts: Referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains

First, H. & I Sts.

On motion of Alderman Reed the report of the Committee on Steam Engines and Furnaces on the subject of a Steam Planing Mill in Charles Road, (Document No 67.) was taken from the table and referred to the City Solicitor.

Steam Mill Charles Road.

On petitions of Martha Kittredge, W. H. Hoag, Lucinda Edgerly, Eliza J. Fay and others Jurors to be paid for damages incurred from the change of grade on Church Road the Committee on Laying out Streets reported leave to withdraw and accepted.

Kittredge Hoag Edgerly Fay & others

The Trustees of the Public Library, in conformity with the fourth section of the Ordinance concerning the Public Library, presented to the City Council their first Annual Report on the condition of the Library

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which was laid on the Table, and ordered to be printed.

Appropriations Public Buildings

A communication from the Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings, stating to the City Council, that the appropriation for Public Buildings is exhausted, and asking for an addition thereto of $3500_ was read and referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Nov. 18

Bishop - Faneuil Hall.

The Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred the petition of Nathan Bishop and others asking for the use of Faneuil Hall, Nov^r 21. & 22. for the meeting therein of the Massachusetts Teachers Association, reported in favor of granting the prayer of said petition for Nov. 21. only. Read and accepted.

Matthews - Ann Street.

On the petition of Nathan Matthews and others that Ann Stred may be widened between Clark & Fleet Streets_ The Committee on laying out and widening streets to whom the within petition was referred, respectfully report, that they have visited the premises in company with the City Engineer, and think that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners in relation to the widening of the said Stred; and they recommend that the subject of grading and paving the said street be referred to the Committee on Paving & Repairs of Streets. For the Committee, S. Reed, Chairman. Read & accepted.

Watchmen.

Upon nomination by the Mayor the following persons were appointed as Watchmen for the ensuing year._ North_ Eben P. Babb. Amos W. Baker, George W.

Nathaniel Emerson. Moses W. Goodale. Geo. N. Hutchinson. John C. Harrington. Joseph G. Jenkins. James Jellison. William K. Jones. John W. Lawson. Aaron W. Mason. Albert Ostrander. Moses R. Palmer. Jackson Riggs. Daniel Ross. Harvey J. Rice. James P. Slade. Samuel Smith. Jesse D. Scott. Alfred Stevens. Robert Sutton. John Seaver. Charles S. Tasker. Robert Trout. Hiram Wilson. — Boylston — Stephen C. Atkins. Thomas W. Butler. Alfred G. Chase. Francis N. Cummings. Matthew Churchill Jr. Thomas Cobb. Thomas Condon. Nathaniel A. Decker. Alfred C. Dean. George K. Eaton. Thomas N. Furbush. James C. Foster. Solomon S. Foster. Seth W. Fogg. James C. Foster 2d. Silas Harmon. Chauncey Hildreth. Richard C. Hicks. John N. Hunkins. Daniel M. Hill. Lawson Houghton. Woodbury Jenness. Henry Lovering. Thomas Mc Gory. James W. Murdaugh. David C. Mason. Daniel W. Neal. John M. Penniman. William N. Pratt. Robert Porter. John M. Page. James M. Sargent. B. G. Stillings. John S. Stark. Jacob N. Savage. Joseph S. Sperry. James Simond. Thomas Sweetzirs. Henry H. Smith. Josiah T. Thompson. Stephen A. Tarbell. Nathan Underwood. Aaron Walcott. Zora Whiting. George W. Wilson. Christopher Welling. Enos C. Weeks. Truman Wood. Alexander Wilson. Daniel Walker. — South — Geo. W. Allan. Freeman C. Crawford. John L. Cook. Frederick P. Conant. Edwin Cornell. George W. Chase. Chas S. Chaney. Wm T. Dwyer. Jabez R. Gott. Nehemiah Goodwin. Washington Grant. Chester M. Huggins. Caleb Howe Jr. Luther Hunt. Thomas T. Healy. Daniel [illegible] Nat C. Hudson Adam Sylvester. James S. Simmons. Cyrus Small. Edward T. Talbot. Owen Taylor. Jeremiah S. Thomas. East. Guins W.

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Nov. 14, 1833 kee. Joseph C. Beeston. Ruel W. Bartlett. Nathan B. Bryant.
Hiram T. Bean. John E. Bartlett Wm H. Batchelder. Daniel S.
Blackman. Asa Bolan David L. Clarke. William L. Carling
Thomas G. Esterbrooks. Jesse Fowler. Ephraim W. Farr. Nathan H.
Franklin Hall. Joseph A. Gay. Abraham F. Gould. Dennis J. Hogan. Amy
C. Henry. Luther Hutchins. James E. Hough. Milton Harris.
Isaac Jones. Isaac F. Jones. Adolphus A. Kemp. George W. Lowell.
Thomas Linton. Brian McClenathan. Abraham C. Mace.
Benj. F. Mitchell. John L. Neal. Geo. P. Nutter. Isaac W. Navy. Alonzo
Pine. Jamieman Putnam. Joseph A. Richardson. William B. Scott.
Enoch Goddard. Michael Scanlan. William Snow. Ham Smith.
Alvin W. Turner. James H. Tate. Joseph Whitney. Charles H.
Wright. Joseph Young. W.M. Abram W. Adams. Isaac Bullard.
Wm H. Bean. David Blaisdell. Lorenzo Burton. Vera Canada.
Samuel Covill. John B. Eastman. Patrick Fox. John L. Gilman.
James G. Grendall. John L. Harvey. Daniel Hancock. John Hurley.
Pierce Harvey. Eli. Handy. Eldridge G. Hammond. Henry Kruger.
Nathaniel C. Jewett. Saml C. Mortimer. William Miles. Nelson
Mace. William Ray. Luther B. Pierce. Benjamin Richardson
Smith H. Rogers. Emery L. Stanley. John L. Jones. Nathaniel
F. Stevens. B. F. Taylor. William Whitwell. Thomas Watson.
Jonathan B. Wheelock. John B. Whitton. South Boston. Thadeus P.
Bartlett. Wm H. Boynton. Amos F. Bates. Moses H. Capen. Charles
Carr. Henry L. Dyer. Thomas W. G. Davidson. Joseph B. Emerson.
Silvia Howard Selina Gordon. Isaac Herrick. Daniel Hall.
Silvia Kelly. Richard Long. Geo. W. Hughes. Geo. N. Moss. Thomas
W. Neal. Peter Otto. Joseph G. Pagett. Aaron Spear. Thomas A
Thayer. Thomas M. Smith. George Towne. Paige Taylor. George

S. Williston. Jos. Wilson. East Boston. Josiah Johns. Jeremiah [illegible] 65
Powell. Wm. S. Powell. Noah Ainsworth. Sylvester Dawn David[illegible] Dec. 11. 1855
Crocker. Jam[s] Gillaway Jr. Francis Dane. Edwin Fish. Richard
Gill. En[o] Hopkins. Josiah S. Leighton. Martin Hamm Wm
James Millar. W. B. Pickett. Joseph A. Rogers. W. H. Simmons. Moses
Smith. Richardson A. Tewksbury. Charles W. Tucker.

Ordered: That there be paid | Smith.
to James F. Smith the sum of Four thousand five hundred dol- | Church St.
lars for his estate upon Church Street, upon his giving to the
City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge
for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of the ex-
tension and widening of Church Street; and that the same
be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening
Streets.

Ordered: That there be paid | Cormercais.
to Sarah Cormercais the sum of Five hundred and fifty dollars | Church St.
for damages sustained from the change of grade in Church
Street, upon her proving her title to the estate to the Satisfaction
of the City Solicitor, and upon her giving to the City an acquit-
tance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in conse-
quence of said change of grade; and that the same be
charged to the appropriation for Paving.

Ordered: That there be | Ellis
paid to Mary Ann Ellis the sum of Five hundred and fifty | Church St.
dollars for damages sustained from the change of grade in | receiving
Church Street, upon her proving her title to the estate to the sat- | March 24. 1856
isfaction of the City Solicitor and upon her giving to the City an
acquittance and discharge for all damages costs and expenses

688. in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same
Nov 14 1853 be charged to the appropriation for Paving. This order to take the
place of the order passed July 11th 1853. which is hereby rescinded.

Gilson - Church Sted. Ordered, That there be paid to Joshua Gilson and William Livermore the sum of Four hundred and fifty dollars for damages sustained from the change of grade in Church Sted, upon his proving his title to the estate to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor and upon their giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving.

Brown Church Sted. Ordered: That there be paid to Mary Brown the sum of Fifteen hundred dollars for damages sustained from the change of grade in Church Sted, on her proving her title to the estate to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor and upon her giving to the City an acquittance & discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same be changed to the appropriation for Paving.

Bulman - Church Sted. Ordered: That there be paid to Edward Bulman the sum of Five hundred dollars for damages sustained from the change of grade in Church Street, upon his proving his title to the estate to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor and upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving.

Ordered: That there be paid | 689.
to Freeman M. Dyer the sum of Six hundred dollars for | Nov. 14, 1853
damages sustained from the change of grade in Church | Dyer
Street, upon his proving his title to the estate to the satisfac | Church Street.
tion of the City Solicitor and upon his giving to the City an
acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses
in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same
be charged to the appropriation for Paving. This order to take the
place of the order passed July 11th 1853 which is hereby rescinded.

Ordered: That there be paid to | Curtis
Samuel Curtis the sum of Fifteen hundred dollars for damages | Church Street.
sustained from the change of grade in Church Street, upon his
proving his title to the estate to the satisfaction of the City Solici-
tor and upon his giving to the City an acquittance and dis-
charge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of
said change of grade; and that the same be changed to the ap-
propriation for Paving.

Ordered: That there be paid | Hendley
to James Hendley the sum of Eight hundred dollars for damages | church Street
sustained from the change of grade in Church Street, upon
his proving his title to the estate to the satisfaction of the City
Solicitor and upon his giving to the City an aquittance and
discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of
said change of grade; and that the same be charged to the ap-
propriation for Paving.

Ordered: That there be paid | Atwood
to Elisha Atwood & Elijah Bigham the sum of One hundred | Church Street
dollars for damages sustained from the change of grade in

690 Church Street upon his proving his title to the estate to the satis-
Nov 11, 1853 faction of the City Solicitor and upon his giving to the City
an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and ex
penses in consequence of said change of grade; and that the
same be charged to the appropriation for Paving.

Methodist Epis' Ordered: That there be paid
Church to Proprietors of the Methodist Episcopal Church the sum of Two
Church Street. thousand dollars for damages sustained from the change of
grade in Church Street upon their giving to the City an ac-
quittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses
in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same be
charged to the appropriation for Paving.

Everett & Whereas, pursuant to an Order
others &c. of this Board passed on the twenty eighth day of March 1853.
public notice thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer
has been constructed in Everett and Cottage Streets, the cost
of which was Fifteen hundred and twelve dollars and eighty
three cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid
by the said City, there remains Eleven hundred and thirty
four dollars $\frac{02}{100}$ to be charged to persons benefitted by the same,
according to law: It is therefore, Ordered, that the persons nam-
ed in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as
aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with
the sums therein set to their respective names, as their propor-
tional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same
is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties
aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Ordered: That the Superin= | Nov. 14, 1853.
tendent of Health be directed after the ceasing to fall of any | Snow & Ice
snow to cause the same to be removed from the sidewalks
in front of all buildings belonging to and occupied by the City,
and around the Common, Public Squares, Burial Grounds &c.
Also, whenever any ice or snow shall encumber the streets,
he shall cause the same to be removed, and the expenses
thereof be charged to the Internal Health Department.

The Committee on Public | Pulaski
Buildings to whom was referred the petition of the Pulaski | Guards
Guards, asking the City to pay rent of their Armory previous to
May 1853. have considered the subject, and recommend the
adoption of the following order. For the Committee, Benjamin
James, Chairman. Ordered: That there be paid to the Pulaski
Guards the sum of Two hundred dollars, rent of the Armory
from May 1st 1852. to May 1st 1853. and that the same be charged to
the appropriation for Incidental expenses and miscellaneous claims.
Passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Dec. 1.

Ordered: That the Superin= | Chapman
tendent of Streets be instructed to lay the sidewalk on the south= | Street.
west corner of Chapman Street, from Washington Street to Henry
K Hancock's house, and that the expense of the same be charged to
the appropriation for Paving.

Ordered: That the Superinten= | Mason
dent of Streets be instructed to have Mason Street paved with the | Street
Nicolson pavement, provided a contract [illegible] the Committee
on Paving, can be made to do the same. Also, that the Superinten=

042 dent be authorized to make any necessary changes in the
Nov. 14. 1853 grade of said Steet.

Fire Harm. The Committee on Telegraphic
Hall Hill Fire Harms to whom was referred the petition of the Board of
School House Engineers of the Fire Department, that a Bell may be placed upon the New School House in Hall Street, and that a new Signal box be placed at the corner of Snowhill and Hull Street, Report: That a Bell has been placed on said School house by direction of the Committee at an expense of three hundred and twelve dollars 25 cts. and that the necessary orders have been given for placing a Signal Box in Hull Street and that no further action is required on said petition. For the Committee, J. Sleeper, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence, came up concurred.

Public Ordered: That the Board of Public
Garden Land Commissioners be requested to furnish the City Council with plans for the laying out into Building Lots, Streets and Squares, the land west of Charles Street, commonly known as the Public Garden:—And such other information as they may be able to obtain, concerning any prospective plans for the improvement of other lands west of said Street. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and laid upon the table.

Doherty. The Committee on Claims, to whom
was referred the petition of John Doherty, father of Hugh Doherty, who lost his life in the City employment by the accident of Sept. 11. and who, as the petitioner States, had previously contributed to the petitioner's support,—which petition prays the City Government to contemn to contribute to the petitioners support. have con-

gidered the subject, and respectfully Report: That, as the City Government, by law, have no power to make gifts or donations, they recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Sampson Reed, Chairman. Accepted in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concured.

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The Committee on Claims to whom was referred the petition of Winslow Wellington to be compensated for the loss of a horse by an accident in Cambridge Street, have duly considered the subject, and respectfully Report: That, whereas, it appears by the evidence submitted to the Committee, that the accident was occasioned by want of due care on the part of the petitioner, and that he has therefore no legal claim upon the city for damages, the Committee recommend that he have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Sampson Reed, Chairman. Accepted in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read & concured.

Wellington.

The Committee on Paving to whom was referred the petition of Melzar Dunbar and others, that Franklin Haven may be prohibited from building a Bay window from his house in West Cedar Street, to extend over the sidewalk, have examined the premises, and unanimously make the following Report: That in the opinion of the Committee, no one of the petitioners would be in the least injured by such a window being built by Mr. Haven, that it would be an ornament to his house, and a great convenience, and the Committee regret they are unable to give the petitioners leave to withdraw, the law being peremptory; they are therefore under the necessity of reporting in favor of granting the prayer of the petitioners. For

Dunbar

the Committee, J. P. Rich, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Adjourned to Wednesday next at 12 M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Wednesday the Sixteenth day of November, A.D. 1853.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen James, Gay and Whiting.

Votes—

Returns of

The returns from the several Wards for Governor, Lieut. Governor, Senators and Representatives and also on the eight Constitutional Propositions which were submitted to the people for their ratification, were laid before the Board, as recorded by the City Clerk: And Aldermen Frost, White and Sleeper were appointed a Committee to examine said returns and report to the Board on Friday next at 12 o'clock. M. to which hour the Board

Adjourned.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Friday the Eighteenth day of November, Anno Domini. 1853.

Present.

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen Reed, Whiting and James.

Votes. Returns of

Alderman Frost from the Committee appointed to examine the returns of votes cast on Monday last for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Senators and Representatives, and for the ratification of the eight Constitutional Propositions submitted to the people, reported, that the returns were properly made by the respective Ward Officers, the votes correctly recorded in the Book kept for that purpose: from which it appears that forty four Representatives have been duly elected from this City. Read and accepted, and the City Clerk was directed to notify the Representatives elect pursuant to law. The usual certificates of the result were then signed and sealed up by the Board and were ordered to be transmitted to the Secretary of State.

Decayed Potatoes. Foster's Wharf.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Health cause a quantity of decayed potatoes now on Foster's Wharf, belonging to Thomas Slater & Co. to be forthwith removed according to law, the same being injurious to the public health; and that the expense of such removal be charged to the owners of said potatoes.

Volunteer Militia

Ordered: That the City Treasurer be, and he hereby is authorized and directed to pay to each and every person named in the rolls of the Volunteer Militia, as being entitled to the bounty allowed by law, the sums affixed

646 to their respective names, amounting in the aggregate to Eleven
Nov. 18. 1853. thousand, five hundred and fourteen dollars. ($11.514.)

Gravel. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to contract, by advertising for proposals, or otherwise, as he may deem for the best interests of the city, for such quantities of Beach Gravel, as shall be needed for paving during the year 1854. to be landed in such quantities, at such times and at such places as he shall direct.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor & Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday, the Twenty first day of November, Anno Domini, 1853.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Sleeper.

Poland. Petition of M. S. Poland and M. W.
Bennett. Bennett for compensation for the damage sustained by them
Church Road. respectively from the change of grade in Church Road. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Keane Petition of J. J. & S. M. Keane to be paid for damage sustained from the change of grade in the "Old Road," so called. Referred to the Committee

Petition of Samuel Samson, for leave to open the "Eagle Theatre" on Thanksgiving night for public performances. Referred to the Committee on Licenses, with full power. — Nov. 21. 1853. Samson.

Petition of A. B. Peneo for leave to exhibit some Rocky Mountain Buffaloes in Haymarket Square; of John Huggin for leave to exhibit Wild Animals in Haymarket Square; of Dr. Brown for leave to give an exhibition of Ventilings and Music at Lyceum Hall. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. — Peneo. Huggin. Brown.

Petition of Timothy Roberts for leave to keep and sell second hand articles at No 10. Blackstone Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. — Roberts.

Petition of the Metropolitan Rail Road Company for a conference with the Board respecting the location of their track &c. — Read and referred to the Committee of the whole Board. — Metropolitan Rail Road Co.

Petition of Joseph Story and others for the use of Faneuil Hall Dec. 10th for a political meeting. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board, with full power. — Story. Faneuil Hall.

Petition of Uriah J. Daily and another for compensation for damage occasioned by a collision with a Fire Engine &c. Referred to the Committee on claims. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Dec. 1st — Daily.

Communication from the Captain of the Watch and Chief of Police respecting the mode of — Criminal

968 emerging criminals to and from the Jail. Referred to Alder-
Nov. 21. 1853. men Whiting, Reed and Cary.

Communication from the Audi-
Militia tor of Accounts informing the Board that an additional amount will be needed to meet the payment of the Volunteer Militia of this City: read and referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Dec.r 1st

Channing Petition of Ruth Gibbs Channing, widow of Dr. Wm. E. Channing for abatement of personal tax. Referred to the Committee on Assessors Department. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Dec.r 1.

Pratt Petition of Daniel E. Pratt that the suit brought by the City against him may be discontinued. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Dec.r 1.

Lamps. Communication from the Committee on Lamps asking for an additional appropriation for Lamps. Referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Dec.r 1.

Deer Island Ordered: That the order of this
Subjects Board passed Nov. 7. 1848. authorizing the delivery of the unclaimed
Mass. Med. Coll. bodies of deceased paupers at Deer Island to Dr. O. W. Holmes or the duly authorized agent of the Mass. Medical College, be and it is hereby confirmed and declared to be in full force and virtue and the Port Physician is hereby directed to conform to the provisions thereof until otherwise ordered.

Howe On petition of Sam.l G. Howe to be compensated for the damage sustained from the change of grade

in the "Old Road," so called, the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Warrants for Ward meetings

Ordered: That warrants be issued for the meeting of the legal voters of this City in their several Wards on Monday the Twelfth day of December next, at 9 o'clock A.M. then and there to give in their ballots for a Mayor and eight Aldermen, all of whom to be inhabitants of said City: viz: for a Warden, Clerk, Five Inspectors of Elections, Four members of the Common Council, Two members of the School Committee, and one Overseer of the Poor for each Ward, all of whom to be inhabitants of said City and residents in their respective Wards. All the foregoing to be voted for on one ballot. The Polls to be kept open until 4 o'clock, P.M.

Holton. I. Street

Ordered: That there be paid to John Holton the sum of Five hundred dollars for damage sustained from the change of grade in I. Street and Broadway, upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving.

Byram Sinclair Bulolph St.

On the petition of N.O. Byram-Sinclair

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify Alvin Sinclair to cause his sidewalk on Bulolph Street to be paved with Brick or Flat Stones, according to law, forthwith.

I. Street

Ordered: That the Board accept and adopt the grade of I. Street between Broadway and First Street, proposed by the City Engineer; the said grade being shown on a profile of I. Street by the said Engineer and the

700 21st 1853. and deposited in the Office of the Board of Mayor
Nov 21 1853. and Aldermen.

I. Street. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be directed to have I. Street, from Broadway to First Street, graded, in conformity with the grade established by the City Engineer.

Market. The Committee on the Market to whom was referred the quarterly report of the Superintendent of Faneuil Hall Market, reported, that they have compared this and previous report with the books of the City Treasurer, from which it appears that the Superintendent has faithfully accounted for all moneys received by him on account of the Market. Read and accepted.

Bent. The Committee on the Market to whom was referred the petition of Rufus N. Bent respecting the lease of Stall No 21. F. H. Market, reported, that the one half of the Stall heretofore leased to O. T. Blood has at his request been transferred to the said R. N. Bent and therefore that no further action is required thereon. Read and accepted.

Cove Street. Agreeably to notice Moses French, Jr. appeared and objected to the proposed widening of Cove Street and after stating his reasons against the measure, the subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Light Dragoons Ordered: That Forty five dollars
Company B. and eighty nine cents be paid to Company B. Light Dragoons for balance of Rent of their Armory due the 30th of September last and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Incidental Expenses and Miscellaneous Claims. Referred in Common

Council to the Committee on Public Buildings. Came up for con- 701.
currence. Read and concurred. Nov. 21. 1853

Communication from the Mayor City
transmitting a letter from Peleg W. Chandler tendering to the City Solicitor
Council his resignation of the office of City Solicitor. Referred in Com- resigns.
mon Council to Messrs. Nicolson, Buttrick and Rice with such as the
Mayor and Aldermen may join with full powers in accordance with
the request in said letter. Came up for concurrence. Read and con-
curred and Aldermen Rich and Whiting were joined.

Petition of Josiah Quincy and Quincy
others that the location of the drain through the City Wharf Estate
be defined. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on
Public Lands. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Petition of John Mc Elroy ad- Mc Elroy.
dressed to the City Council praying that a Committee be ap- Jail lands
pointed to whom he can exhibit plans and explain the contem-
plated improvement of the Jail lands property. Referred in Com-
mon Council to the next City Council. Came up for concurrence.
Read and nonconcurred, and Aldermen Whiting, Gay and
James were appointed on said Committee, with such as the
Common Council may join. Sent down for concurrence.

Ordered: That a Joint Special Police Court.
Committee be appointed to consider and report whether an order
passed October 27. 1853 repealing the order whereby Five hun- Salary.
dred dollars a year was directed to be paid to the Senior Justice
of the Police Court is a violation of a contract. Passed in Com-

men Council, and Messrs Demond, Russell and Hinds were appointed said Committee on the part of that Board. Came up for concurrence. Read and laid upon the table.

O'Connell

The Committee on Internal Health to whom was referred the communication of Maurice O'Connell, charging Asst Surgeon Worrisdall Superintendent of Internal Health with neglect of duty and requesting a Hearing in relation thereto - beg leave respectfully to Report: That they have given Mr. O'Connell two hearings, at the last of which, several witnesses were present summoned at his request - Mr. O'Connell recapitulated the charges set forth in his communication to the Board - and further added the charge of bribery, in relation to all which witnesses were examined under oath. After a careful consideration of the evidence adduced in support of the charges made by said O'Connell, the Committee are clearly of the opinion that all the acts and doings of said Worrisdall in the matter complained of, were entirely in accordance with his duty and not in any manner entitled to censure. They are also fully satisfied that the charge of bribery is a gross fabrication positively and unequivocally contradicted by the most reliable testimony. The Committee therefore recommend that no further action be had in reference to the communication of said O'Connell. Respectfully submitted, for the Committee, J. Hooper, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Barnard
Instl. Command.
Tres Pinos.

Whereas John M. Barnard has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Tres Pinos in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants

require that a portion of the said Street should be discontinued at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said John H. Barnard, and to J. W. Tuttle and J. W. Edmands that this Board intend to discontinue a part of the street before mentioned, as a public street - and that Monday, the twenty eighth day of November instant at 4 o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto. 703. Nov. 21. 1853.

Whereas a petition has been presented to this Board to widen Salem Street in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened at the place described in the said petition, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the heirs of John Snelling that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of their land, and laying out the same as a public street - and that Monday the twenty eighth day of November instant at 4 o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto. Salem Street. Snelling

Resolved - That it is expedient for the Board of Mayor and Aldermen to submit to the voters of the City at a special election to be called for that purpose, the question whether the land belonging to the City lying west of Charles Street, known as the "Public Garden" shall be sold. And the said election to take place within six months from the above date. Ordered - That ten thousand copies of the Report of the joint committee on Public Lands in regard to the Public Garden being duly ac- Public Garden

704 ument No 18. of the year 1850. and resolution be printed and
Nov. 21. 1853. distributed among the citizens. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. On motion of Alderman Whiting the Board non-concurred with the Common Council by the following vote_ Yeas The Mayor, Aldermen James, White, Frost, Cary, Whiting, Rich and Reed_8. Nays_ none.

Public Garden plans of

On motion of Alderman Rich the order of the Common Council directing the Board of Public Land Commissioners to furnish the City Council with plans of Public Garden as laid out into building lots &c, which was laid upon the table Nov. 14. was taken therefrom, and this Board non-concurred in the passage thereof by the following vote. Yeas, The Mayor, Aldermen Reed, Rich, Whiting, White and Frost. 6_ Nays, Aldermen James and Cary_2.

Metropolitan Rail Road

On motion of Alderman Rich the majority and minority reports on the subject of the location of the Metropolitan Rail Road were taken from the table_ and Alderman Frost moved to substitute the minority report and the orders thereto appended for the majority report, and the yeas and nays being required thereon were taken as follows_ Yeas, Aldermen Frost and Whiting_2. Nays_ The Mayor, Aldermen James, Reed, Rich, Cary and White_6. So said motion did not prevail._ On motion of Alderman Cary, the Majority Report was recommitted to the Committee of the whole Board, and having been amended by inserting a paragraph respecting the regulation of the fares on the roads in New York, the Committee reported City Doc. No 64. as the report of the majority of the Committee, and the question being on the acceptance of said report, and the yeas and nays being required thereon

they were taken as follows_ Yeas, The Mayor, Aldermen James, Reed, Rich, Cary, and White. 6._ Nays_ Aldermen Frost & Whiting. 2. So said report was accepted.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'Clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the Twenty eighth day of November, _ Anno Domini, 1853.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Alderman Cary.

Petition of Samuel Sanford to be paid for land taken on Atkinson Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets. — Sanford

Petition of Batchelder Brush & others that an increase may be allowed in the rates of fare for Hackney Carriages. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. — Hackney Carriage fare

The Superintendent of Sewers presented to the Board a schedule of assessments for the construction of the common Sewer in Commercial Street near City Wharf. Referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains. — Commercial Street

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Nov. 28. 1853. Petition of Stephen Fairbanks & others respecting the insufficiency of the common Sewer in Bed-
Fairbanks ford Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains.

Blaney Petition of James M. Blaney that
the Lamps may be placed and lighted on Central Wharf. Referred
to the Committee on Lamps.

Carr. Petition of Maria Carr to be com-
pensated for the damage sustained by her from the change of
grade in Church Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Ward Petition of W. Ward and others that
a nuisance may be abated in Broad Street. Referred to the Com-
mittee on Paving.

Hinckley Petition of Samuel L. Hinckley for
abatement of taxes. Referred to the Committee on the Assessors'
Department. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Old Colony Rail Road Petition of Old Colony Rail Road
Company to be paid for transportation of gravel for the City. Refer-
red to the Committee on Public Lands. Sent down for concurrence.

Laggan-
Peneo-
Brown John Laggan was licensed to exhibit
wild animals in Haymarket Square - A. B. Peneo was licensed to
exhibit some Buffaloes in the same Square; and Dr. Brown was
licensed to give exhibitions of paintings &c. at Lyceum Hall.

Roberts On the petition of Timothy Roberts
for leave to keep and sell Second hand articles, to Committee

on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted. 707

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No person appearing to object Salem
to the proposed widening of Salem Street by taking land from Street.
heirs of John Snelling, said subject was recommitted to the committee on Streets, with full power.

No person appearing to object Ivers &
to the proposed discontinuance of Ivers & Hawkins Streets said Hawkins St.
subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Ordered: That the Superinten- Causeway
dent of Streets be instructed to have the sidewalk on Causeway Street.
Street, at the corner of Leverett Street, laid with brick, and that the expenses of the same be charged to the abuttors on the premises.

A communication was received Boston
from the Boston Association of New York inviting this Board to Association
attend their dinner on the 2d of December next which was ac- of New York
cepted by the Board.

On the petition of the Hancock Hancock
Free Bridge Corporation that the city would accept and lay out Free Bridge
the lower part of Leverett Street the Committee on Streets reported Leverett St.
that as the Street is not at present in a condition to be accepted, the said petition be referred to the next board of Mayor and Aldermen. Read and accepted.

The petition of Joseph Story and Story
others for the use of Faneuil Hall &c to for a political meeting was Faneuil Hall
granted by the Board.

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Watchmen

On nomination by the Mayor, Joseph Farrell Thomas Burney Thos J. Perkins Cornelius McElroy J. O. McGinnis Joseph F. Storey Wm H. Farrell and H. McLaughlin were appointed on the Watch.

Special Police

On nomination by the Mayor, Wm H. Brown was appointed a Special Police Officer for Maverick Hall: and J. W. Clarke was appointed a Special Police Officer for the Boston Gas Light Works.

Matthews Ann Street.

On petition of Nathan Matthews & others that Ann Street may be graded and paved between Clark and Fleet Streets, the Committee on Paving reported, that it is inexpedient to take any further action thereon at the present time. Read and accepted.

Blaney Princeton and Marion Streets.

On the petition of D. N. Blaney and others that sidewalks may be laid in Princeton and Marion Streets, the Committee on Paving reported that no further action is required thereon. Read and accepted.

Stockwell Princeton St.

On the petition of J. N. Stockwell and others that Princeton Street may be graded, the Committee on Paving reported that no further action is required thereon. Read and accepted.

Night Soil Contracts

Ordered: That the Committee on Internal Health be and they are hereby authorized to contract with such individuals and at such prices as they may judge most expedient and beneficial to the City, for the removal of night soil from said City for three years from the first of January next, on which day the existing contracts will expire.

On the petition of Isaac Liver- | Nov. 28 1853.
more and others that Worrell Street may be extended to the | Liverm
canal Bridge the Committee on laying out and widening Streets | Worrell St.
reported that said portion of Worrell Street has not been put into
a condition to be accepted, and that therefore the petitioners have
leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Ordered: That the Committee | Ship Fever
on Internal Health be and they are hereby authorized and di- | Belknap
rected to make inquiries into the circumstances attending the | Street.
discovery of the cases of Ship Fever in Belknap Street, and to re-
port what action, if any, is required thereon.

A communication was received | Hosford.
from Professor E. N. Horsford respecting a uniform method of regulat- | Timepieces.
ing Timepieces in this city and vicinity. Referred to the Committee
on Fire Arms and ordered to be printed. Sent down for con-
currence. Came up concurred, Dec.r 1.

Alderman James presented to | Harbor
the Board the report of the Joint Standing Committee on Boston | Report
Harbor for 1852. which report said Committee were authorized to | for 1852
make to the present City Council, and is printed Document No.
60. for 1853. Referred to the Committee on the Harbor. Sent down
for concurrence. Came up concurred Dec.r 1.

Ordered: That a Joint Special | Police
Committee be appointed to consider and report whether an | Court.
order passed October 27th 1853 repealing the order whereby | Senior Justice
Five hundred dollars a year was directed to be paid to the
Senior Justice of the Police Court, is a violation of a contract. And

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Messrs Osmond Russell and Hinds were appointed said committee on the part of this Board. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. The foregoing order was taken from the table and on motion of Alderman Whiting the Board non-concurred therein.

Brown Washington Street.

Ordered, That there be paid to Joseph T. Brown the sum of Fifteen hundred dollars for land taken to widen Washington Street upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening Streets.

Stetson-Bradford Street.

On the petition of S. A. Stetson & others- Ordered, That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the owners and abutters on Bradford Street, on such parts where no sidewalk has been laid, to cause their sidewalks to be paved with Brick or Flat Stones, according to law, within twenty days from the date hereof.

Alley's heirs- Union Street.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred the notice of Nathaniel Alley's heirs intention to build on Union Street and who reported an order of notice of intention to widen on that Street, further Report:- That they find on enquiry that the heirs of Nathaniel Alley do not intend to erect buildings the present year, their object being to gain information as to the line of the Street in order to govern their future plans. This being the fact it would be premature while the present buildings are standing, for the Board to take a portion of their land for the purpose of widening the

Street. In the opinion of the Committee, Union Street should be made fifty feet wide agreeably to a plan of the City Engineer herewith submitted, as fast as opportunities for widening occur, and they were about to present an order establishing the prospective line of the Street accordingly. As they find however that such an order would not be binding on the action of future Boards, they have not considered it expedient to present it. For the Committee, Sampson Reed, Chairman. Read & accepted. 711. Nov 28 1835.

The Committee on Public Lands to whom was referred the petition of Josiah Quincy and others relative to a Common Sewer near the City Wharf, after due consideration Report: That in their opinion the investigation of the subject belongs to the Committee on Common Sewers. They therefore recommend its reference to that Committee with full power, and ask to be discharged from its further consideration. For the Committee, Benjamin Seaver, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, Jct. Quincy City Wharf.

Resolved: That the Safety & convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Cooper Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Samuel Reeds bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the southeasterly corner of the said premises, being the northwesterly corner of Cooper and Salem Streets; thence running northwardly, bounded by Salem Street forty three hundredths of a foot; thence westwardly, along the proposed line of widening of Cooper Street, forty feet and eighty- Cooper Street Reeds.

712. three hundredths of a foot, thence southwardly, in the direction
Nov 28 1853 of the boundary line between land of the said Speeds and
land of Susan Penny extended southwardly, seventy six
hundredths of a foot; and thence eastwardly by Cooper Street,
forty feet and eighty eight hundredths of a foot to the point of
beginning; containing twenty three square feet and seventy
six hundredths of a square foot, more or less. And Whereas,
due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to
take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as ap-
pears by the return thereto annexed, It is therefore Ordered,
That the parcel of land before described be, and the same
hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of
the said City according to a plan of the said widening made
by E. S. Chesbrough dated November 28. 1853. and deposited in
the office of the said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board
doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Cooper
Street, as aforesaid, will amount to One hundred and fifty
dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of
previous allowances or discontinuances in said street, during
the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five
thousand dollars.

Mosely. Ordered: That there be paid to
Frenchs Heirs. Heirs Mosely the sum of Sixty three $^{75}/_{100}$ dollars for land taken to
widen Frenchs Heirs, upon his giving to the City a Deed for
the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages,
costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the
same be charged to the appropriation for buying out and widen-
ing Streets.

Whereas this Board by a Re- 713.

solve passed the twenty sixth day of September last, took a Nov. 28. 1853.

certain parcel of land therein described lying on Atkinson Atkinson

Street and laid out the same as a public street or way of Street.

said City, it is therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to Allen, Harris

Allen, Harris & Potter, and all other persons interested as owners, & Potter.

proprietors, tenants, occupants, or otherwise, in said land that they cut off, pull down, remove and carry away all buildings, erections and obstructions of every sort standing on and projecting over the line of said Atkinson Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, or, move and set back the same to the said line, and vacate and surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid on or before the twenty fifth day of December now next ensuing. And in default thereof, the Chief of Police is hereby directed and empowered forthwith to enter upon said land and cause all buildings, erections and obstructions standing on and projecting over the line of said Atkinson Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down, removed and carried away, or to be moved and set back to said line, and the said land to be vacated and surrendered under the direction of the Committee on laying out and widening Streets.

Whereas, pursuant to an Order First

of this Board, passed on the twenty fifth day of April 1853 public Second

notice thereof having first been given, a common Sewer has N. Y. and

been constructed in First, Second, N. Y. & Broadway Streets, the Broadway

cost of which was Two thousand eight hundred and thirteen Streets

dollars and forty eight cents, one quarter part whereof being Sewer

deducted, to be paid by the said City, was Two thousand

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one Hundred and ten dollars 11/100 to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: It is therefore, Ordered, that the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Wetherbee - Fitchburg Rail Road - Haverhill Street.

The Committee on laying out and widening Streets, and the Committee on Paving and repairs of Streets to whom was referred the petition of J. Wetherbee & others, that certain obstructions may be removed from Haverhill Street respectfully report, That said Committees held a meeting for the consideration of the subject matter of the said petition, and gave due notice of the same to the petitioners, and to the Fitchburg Rail Road Co. The petitioners appeared by some of their number; the Rail Road Co. did not appear. It appears by the Act to authorize the Fitchburg Rail Road Company to extend their Road to the City of Boston, passed April 20. 1847. that it was provided that "There shall be a gate at the crossing of the Warren Bridge, and another on Haverhill Street, north of Causeway Street, erected and managed at the expense of said Company and regulated in such manner as shall be required by the Mayor & Aldermen of the City of Boston." It appeared by representations before the Committee, that the gates prescribed by the above Statute were erected and maintained for a considerable time, suitable for the admission of carriages; that these were afterwards kept closed, and gates only were left open suita-

ric for the admission of foot passengers; that during the present
year these gates have also been kept closed except on Sundays. In Nov. 28. 1853.
the opinion of the Committee of the Rail Road Company had deemed
it necessary, for the public safety that these gates should be kept
closed, the proper method of proceeding would have been, to petition
the Board of Mayor and Aldermen for leave to keep them closed;
on which petition the Company could be heard, as well as any
remonstrants who should wish to oppose the same. No such peti-
tion having ever been presented, and the Board having
never adjudged that the maintenance of gates to be opened and
shut under proper regulations is dangerous, the Committee are
of opinion that the obstructions should be removed, and that
the gates should be properly maintained for the admission
of carriage and foot passengers. They therefore recommend the
passage of the accompanying order. For the said Committee
Sampson Reed. J. P. Rich. Chairmen. Ordered; That the Fitchburg
Rail Road Company be, and they hereby are ordered, to open
forthwith for public travel by carriages and foot passengers that
part of Haverhill Street north of Causeway Street which is now
obstructed by the gates at the crossing of the Warren Bridge and
on Haverhill Street north of Causeway Street, and to close the
said gates whenever an engine, car or train is about to pass
over the said street, and to open the said gates again as soon
as the said engine, car or train shall have passed. Read, ac-
cepted and the order passed

The Joint Special Committee Mount
to which was referred the petition of the Mount Washington Washington
Avenue Corporation, asking the City Council "for aid to secure Avenue.
the immediate and successful prosecution of the enterprise" author-

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ized by their Act of Incorporation, have carefully considered the subject and beg leave now to Report; That in the opinion of the Committee a new avenue to South Boston is desirable for the accommodation of the increasing travel to and from that part of the City. No person who has given much attention to this subject can doubt that such additional connection with South Boston would create taxable property and increase the value of lands there in which the City is a considerable owner, and which will be available at some future time. It is therefore very desirable that the enterprise of the Corporation should be carried out. With these views, the Committee are unanimously of opinion that the City ought to accede to the prayer of the petitioners, so far as to lay out a Street from Sea Street to connect with the Avenue and Bridge, when the same shall have been built, or on receiving satisfactory security from the Corporation that this enterprise shall be completed. It is proposed by the petitioners that the Avenue shall strike Hours' Wharf on Sea Street. From the best information the Committee have obtained it is supposed that the expense of opening the Street, will amount to about Sixty thousand dollars. In order that the sense of the City Council may be taken on the subject, the Committee, without a dissenting voice, recommend the passage of the annexed Resolve. For the Committee, Benjamin Seaver, Chairman. Resolved: That in the opinion of the City Council it will be the duty of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen, to lay out a Street from Sea Street to the proposed Avenue to South Boston intended to be constructed by the Mount Washington Avenue Corporation, whenever the same shall be constructed, or whenever satisfactory Bonds are given by said Corporation that the Avenue and Bridge

across Fore Point Channel shall be completed, according to the terms of their Charter. Read accepted and the Resolve passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred December 15th. 717. Nov. 28. 1853

The Committee on laying out and widening Roads to whom were referred Hobbs and Pratts notice of intention to build on Hawkins and Sudbury Streets the petition of Nathaniel Adams and others that Hawkins Street may be widened on the Southerly side, the offer of J.M. Barnard and others to pay twenty one hundred dollars towards defraying the expense of the widening, and the remonstrance of Moses Williams and others against the widening of the Street on that side, respectfully Report: The Committee in considering the notice of Hobbs and Pratt of their intention to build, had come to the conclusion that it was expedient to widen Hawkins Street on the northerly side, and the City Engineer prepared a plan of the widening, which is herewith submitted. But before the Committee had reported their conclusion to the Board, the petition and remonstrance for and against the widening on the other side of the Street were presented. The Committee are of the opinion that it would be much better to widen the Street on the Southerly side; but they do not feel authorized in recommending the measure on account of the great increased expense. Mr. Williams represents that it would injure him to the amount of $40.000. This may be a very high estimate; but the Committee are led to think that, under the most favorable circumstances, the expense of widening on the Southerly would greatly exceed the cost of widening on the other. It is understood that Hobbs and Pratt have transferred their inter- Hobbs & Pratt Hawkins Street.

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est in the estate at the corner of Sudbury and Hawkins Streets to Nathaniel Adams, and that he does not intend to build till Spring. As there is, therefore, no necessity for immediate action, and as it is possible that those interested may raise by subscription an amount which will render it expedient for the Board to accede to their wishes, it is recommended that the whole subject be referred to the next Board of Mayor & Aldermen. For the Committee, Sampson Reed, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Phelps Shawmut Street.

Whereas, by an order passed by this Board on the 24th day of October last, it was declared that a tenement situated on Shawmut Street, so called, and owned by Abner Phelps was in a state of nuisance, and dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, and it was then and thereby ordered that notice in writing be given to said Phelps to cause the said nuisance then existing in said premises to be removed within five days from the day of the date of said order by causing a proper and sufficient drain to be constructed for said tenement; And whereas it appears that due notice was given to said Phelps pursuant to said order, and that the said Phelps has neglected to cause the said nuisance to be removed, and that the same still remains a nuisance as before; and whereas the said term of five days has expired: it is therefore, Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be and he is hereby directed to cause the said nuisance to be removed forthwith, by causing a suitable drain to be constructed at the expense of the said Phelps.

Streets numbered.

Ordered:- That the numbers be properly regulated in Albany, Arnold, Chapman, Concord,

Eliot, Elm, East Orange, Church, Lincoln, Northampton, North Bennett, Unity, West Castle, and Bradford Streets, and Dix and Indiana Places, and that George Adams be authorized to carry the same into effect before the first day of July in the year eighteen hundred and fifty four.

Salem street. Snelling's heirs.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Salem Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to the Heirs of Wm. Snelling bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the southeasterly corner of the said premises, being the northwesterly corner of Salem Street and Bartlett Place; thence running northwardly, bounded by Salem Street, nineteen feet and forty eight hundredths of a foot; thence southwardly, along the proposed line of widening of Salem Street, (being a line drawn straight to the southwesterly corner of the said Street and Place) nineteen feet; thence southeasterly, by Bartlett Place, six feet and forty-nine hundredths of a foot, to the point of beginning; containing twenty three square feet, and fifty six hundredths of a square foot more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City, according to a plan of the said widening made by E. S. Chesbrough dated October 10th 1853. and added to Nov. 28. 1853. and deposited in the office of the said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Salem

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street, as aforesaid, will amount to Fifty dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of Five thousand dollars.

Ivers & Hawkins Streets. portion discontinued.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that a portion of Ivers and Hawkins streets should be discontinued as a public street or way of the said City, bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the westerly corner of the said premises, being the westerly corner of Ivers and Hawkins Streets; thence running northwesterwardly along the northwesterly line of Ivers Street seventy seven feet and ninety hundredths of a foot; thence southwestwardly, along a line parallel to, and distant forty feet northwestwardly from, the southeasterly line of Ivers Street, (as established by an order of the Board of Mayor & Aldermen, dated October 24th 1853.) seventy three feet and seventy hundredths of a foot; thence southeastwardly, by a line parallel to, and distant forty feet southwestwardly from, the northeasterly line of Hawkins Street, (as established by an order of the said Board, dated August 15th 1853.) extended northwestwardly, thirty feet and forty hundredths of a foot; and thence northwestwardly, along the southwesterly line of Hawkins Street, thirty two feet and fifty hundredths of a foot, to the point of beginning; containing two hundred and five square feet more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to discontinue the said portion of Ivers and Hawkins Streets aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the said portion of said streets before described be, and the

same hereby is, discontinued as a public street or way of the said 721.
city according to a plan made by C. P. Cheesbrough dated October Nov. 28. 1853.
10th 1853. and deposited in the office of the said Mayor & Aldermen.

The Joint Standing Committee on Water, at a meeting held on the first of October last adopted the following vote_viz: "Voted, That the Water Board be requested to report the Water Committee, such alterations in the present Water Tariff, as they in their judgement and experience shall think advisable." In compliance with the above vote the Water Board have sent to this Committee the communication herewith submitted, and in order to carry out the recommendations contained therein, the Committee submit the accompanying order and ordinance for the consideration of the City Council. For the Committee Benjamin Shurtleff Chairman. Ordered: That the Cochituate Water Board be and they are hereby requested to revise the present Tariff of Water Rates, and to report the same, at an early day, during the ensuing Municipal Year, to the City Council of Boston. Read, accepted and the order passed and ordered to be printed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Decr. 1. Water Rates.

The Ordinance also was passed and ordered to be printed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Decr. 5. Ordinance.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four Oclock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Tuesday the Twenty ninth day of November, A.D. 1853.

Present

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen Frost, Keeper and White.

Watchman. On nomination by the Mayor, Joseph Brown was appointed on the Watch.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'Clock. P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the Fifth day of December, Anno Domini, 1853.

Present

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Taylor Petition of S. G. Taylor and others [illegible] to be lighted with Gas. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Parker. Petition of William Parker and

Unann of Joseph Unann severally for abatement of their taxes. Referred to the Committee on the Assessor's Department. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

And Petition of Thomas Ford,

Faneuil Hall and others, for the use of Faneuil Hall, December 9th wherein

to hold a political meeting. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board with full power. 723. Dec. 5, 1853.

Petition of Nicolo & Cappelino for leave to give exhibition of Gymnastics at the Eagle Theatre; & Keeling & Anderson for leave to exhibit a Panorama at Amory Hall. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. Nicolo. Keeling.

Petition of Theodore P. Hale & others, that a street may be laid out from Washington Street to Harrison Avenue, between Ashland Avenue and Cottage Streets. Referred to the Committee on Streets. Hale

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the petition of Hermington Hydrant Co. that Geo. T. Pratt may be re-instated in the office of Clerk of said company, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Read and re-committed with instructions to give the petitioners a hearing. Hydrant Co. No. 1.

Communication from the Committee on the Institutions at South Boston and Deer Island, stating that an addition of three thousand dollars will be needed to complete the furnishing of the New Alms House at Deer Island; read and referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. Alms House at Deer Island.

Petition of Alvin M. Turner to be compensated for injuries sustained while in discharge of his duty as a Watchman. Referred to the Mayor. Turner

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Hathorne.

Petition of J. H. Hathorne & others that a plank sidewalk may be laid on the corner of East Canton Street and Washington Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Stevens.

Petition of N. F. Stevens & others for the use of the "City Horses" to be employed in the service of Night Police. Referred to Aldermen Rich, Sleeper & Whiting.

Preston

Petition of J. P. Preston for leave to construct a coal vault under the sidewalk in Davis Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Ellis-

Moore-

Bulman.

Petition of Mary Ann Ellis, Charles Moore, and E. Bulman severally for an increase of the damages awarded them as compensation for the change of grade in Church Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Keane-

Dudley.

On the petitions of T. J. & M. Keane to be paid for damage sustained from the change of grade in the "Old Road" of George P. Dudley and others for damage sustained from change of grade in Border Street, the Committee on Paving reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Batchelder

carriage fare

On the petition of Batchelder [illegible] for an increase in the rates of fare for Hackney Carriages, the Committee on Licenses reported a reference of said subject to the next Board of Mayor and Aldermen. Read and accepted.

On the petitions of M. S. Poland and of M. W. Bennett to be compensated for the damages sustained by them in consequence of the change of grade in Church Street, and of George Howe to be compensated for damage resulting from a change of grade in Water Street, the Committee on Paving reported a reference of said matters to the next Board of Mayor and Aldermen. Read and accepted. | 725. Dec. 5. 1853. Poland Bennett Howe.

The Committee on laying out and widening Streets to whom was committed an order of notice on the intention of Mary Laurenceson heirs to build on North Square, reported that no action is necessary at present in the way of widening North Square as they understand it is not proposed to erect a permanent structure on the premises referred to. Read and accepted. | Laurenceson North Square

On the petitions of John Souther and others that Second and other streets at South Boston may be paved;- and of E. H. Brainard and others, that First and other Streets may be paved- the Committee on Paving reported that no further action is required thereon, the present season. Read and accepted. | Souther Brainard

On the petitions of George Howe and others that the grade of Kilby Street may be reduced 4 feet from that the gutter in Kilby Street may be enlarged to carry off the surface water; of Edward Curran and others that Albany, Lincoln, Rochester, and Oneida Streets may be accepted and paved;- of Henry Hart and others that the gutters in Shawmut Avenue may be paved &c.- the Committee on Paving reported | Howe 4 from Curran Hart

926. Dec. 5. 1853. Richardson Sea Street.

that any action on said several matters is inexpedient at the present time. Read & accepted.

On the petition of Thomas Richardson to be paid for land taken to widen Sea Street, the committee on laying out and widening Streets reported that the committee were unable to agree with Mr. Richardson respecting the amount of his damages: and Mr. Richardson has commenced legal proceedings in the Court of Common Pleas against the City therefor and there is therefore no necessity for further action by the Board in the premises. Read and accepted.

Worthley-Hancock St.

On the petition of Daniel Worthley to be compensated for the damages sustained from the change of grade in Hancock Street, the Committee on Paving reported that no further action is required thereon at present. Read & accepted.

Streets.

Ordered: That George Adams be authorized to regulate the numbers on the Streets at East and South Boston, at a cost not exceeding one hundred dollars at each of those places.

Fire Alarms

The Committee on Ordinances reported to the Board an Ordinance in relation to the Fire Department, which was laid upon the table and ordered to be printed.

Police Court-Justice's Salary.

The common Council having insisted on their previous vote upon the order respecting the salary of the Senior Justice of the Police Court, said action came up for concurrence; read, and thereupon this Board receded from its previous vote of non-concurrence, and concurred in the pass-

ings of the order, and Aldermen Reed and Whiting were joined to the Committee on the part of this Board.

On nomination by the Mayor, William E. Brummet was appointed on the Watch. Watchman

The Committee on laying out and widening Streets to whom was referred the petition of Lewis Waterman for leave to re-number the streets at East and South Boston, reported, that as Mr. George Adams has been employed to re-number streets by the City, and has given satisfaction to the Board, and as it is desirable that any renumbering should be on a uniform System, the Committee recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted. Waterman.

The ballots being taken and counted for a City Solicitor in place of Peleg W. Chandler resigned it appeared that George S. Hillard was elected in concurrence with the Common Council. City Solicitor

On motion of Alderman James the report of the Trustees of the Public Library, being City Document No. 73. was taken from the table and referred to the Committee on the Public Library. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. Public Library.

The Committee on laying out and widening Streets to whom was referred the petition of B. F. French and others respecting Flounder Lane, reported that it is inexpedient to take any further action thereon. Read and accepted. Flounder Lane.

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Appropriations.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred the communication of the Auditor respecting a deficiency for the payment of the Militia Bounty money:- of the Committee on Public Buildings, relating to a deficiency in their appropriations:- of the Committee on Lamps for an additional appropriation to extend the use of Gas in lighting the City have considered those subjects and they recommend that an addition of Five thousand five hundred dollars be made to the appropriation for Militia Bounty:- Three thousand five hundred dollars to the appropriation for Public Buildings:- and Three thousand to the appropriation for Gas Lamps: and that all these sums be withdrawn from the Reserved Fund. For the Committee Benjamin Seaver, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Richardson Foundry Street.

Whereas John D. Richardson and others have petitioned this Board to lay out a Street in extension of Foundry Street in a southerly direction, then turning and running westerly till it strikes Turnpike Street south of the southerly line of Seventh Street in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be extended at the place described in the said petition, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to Messrs Alger, Henry Gardner, Daniel Denny, Daniel L. Bradford and John Tenney, that this Board intend to extend the street before mentioned by taking the land as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street- and that Monday the twelfth day of December instant at four o'clock, P. M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Whereas Samuel A. Way has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on his land and over Sheds in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Sea Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Samuel A. Way that this Board intend to widen Sea Street before mentioned by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Street_ and that Monday, the twelfth day of December instant at 4 o'clock P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Way. Sea Street. Dec. 5. 1853.

The Committee on Public Instruction who were requested to consider and report whether it is expedient to make any and if any, what changes in the Salaries of the Teachers of the Primary and Intermediate Schools, respectfully Report: The present Salaries of the Teachers of the Primary and Intermediate Schools were fixed at Three hundred dollars each by the City Council on the 6th of April 1846. Following this precedent the order was introduced referring the consideration of the subject to the Committee on Public Instruction. This Committee had a meeting to consider the matter and agreed upon a report recommending certain changes in the Salaries as at present established. But upon afterwards examining the ordinances of the City they found that the School Committee "are authorized to elect all such instructors as they may think necessary for the public schools and to determine the amount of their respective salaries. The [illegible]

Salaries of Primary School teachers

730 the teachers of the Primary and Intermediate Schools form
Dec^r 5. 1853 no exception in this provision. The Committee are further satisfied upon consultation with the City Solicitor that this Ordinance is in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth, particularly the Act of 1838 ch. 165 and with a decision in the case of Cushing &c. and that the City Council have no authority to change the provision even if they were so disposed. There seems to be therefore but one course proper to be pursued, and that is to refer the subject to the School Committee where according to the Statutes of the Commonwealth and the Ordinances of the city it rightfully belongs. They would therefore recommend the adoption of the following Order. For the Committee, Sampson Reed. Ordered: That the consideration of the Salaries of the Teachers of the Primary and Intermediate Schools be referred to the School Committee; and that the Mayor be requested to transmit a copy of this report and the papers connected with it to that Body. Passed, and the documents were ordered to be printed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Dec^r 8th

Hale. New Street.

Whereas Theo. P. Hale and others have petitioned this Board to lay out a new street from Washington Street to Harrison Avenue between Ashland and Cottage Places, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be laid out at the place described in the said petition, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Theo. P. Hale, John T. Bacon, Walter Chipman, William A. Bangs, Ebenezer Howes, Cornelius Hersey, Nathan Crowell, and George W. Thayer, that this Board intend to lay out

the Street before mentioned, by taking the land as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Street and that Monday the Twelfth day of December instant, at four Oclock, P. M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto. 731. Dec. 5. 1853.

Whereas Richard Bond has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Atkinson Street in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Richard Bond that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Street and that Monday, the Twelfth day of December instant at four Oclock P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto. Bond. Atkinson St. and Talbot Laurence.

Ordered: That the Board accept and adopt the revised grades of Mercer Street, between Dorchester and Sixth Street, and of Broadway, between Torchetts and K. Streets, proposed by the City Engineer; said grades being shown on profiles of the said streets, by the said Engineer, dated November 28th 1853. and deposited in the office of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen. Mercer. Broadway. Said.

The Board being satisfied that a certain tenement on said Street being number ... on said Street, is not provided with a suitable chain. Therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to Nathaniel Whiting Whiting. Said Street

owner thereof, that said owner is hereby required to cause
Dec 5 1853 a proper and sufficient drain to be constructed for such
tenement, to be common and subject to the use of all the
Inhabitants thereof, within five days from the date hereof

Ayer. The Board being satisfied that a
North Street. certain tenement on North Street, being numbers 47 and 51.
on said street, is not provided with a suitable vault. Therefore
Ordered, That due notice be given to Joseph B. Ayer's heirs, owners
thereof, that said owners are hereby required to cause a proper &
sufficient vault to be constructed for such tenement according to
law, within five days from the date hereof.

Pfaff The Board being satisfied that
Eliot Street. a certain tenement on Eliot street, being number 95 on
said street, is not provided with a suitable vault. Therefore
Ordered That due notice be given to Catherine Pfaff, owner there-
of, that said owner is hereby required to cause a proper and
sufficient vault to be constructed for such tenement, according
to law, within ten days from the date hereof.

Wagons. Ordered: That the Chief of Police
Washington be directed to have all Carriages, Wagons &c. now occupying
street. Stands on Washington Street, north of Beach Street, removed
forthwith.

Public The Committee on Ordinances
Buildings who were instructed to consider the expediency of establishing
Commission a Board of Commissioners on Public Buildings to have all
the powers now exercised by, and perform all the duties in-

cumbent upon the Committee on Public Buildings: and also, under the direction of the Mayor and Aldermen, to have the charge of the County Buildings with authority for said Committee to report in print, by Ordinance or otherwise, have attended to the subject and Report: that it is inexpedient to take any action in the matter. For the Committee. Sampson Reed, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. | 733. Dec. 5. 1853.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify Nathan Matthews to remove the obstructions from the front of his store in Linn Street, and to have his sidewalk laid at the grade of said street, and made safe for passengers | Matthews

Ordered: That there be paid to Moses Carr the sum of One hundred and fifty dollars for damages sustained to his estate in Piedmont Street, in consequence of the alteration of the grade of Church Street &c: upon his proving his title to said estate and upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs & expenses in consequence of said alteration; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving. | Carr.

Ordered: That there be paid to Messrs Allen, Harris & Potter, the sum of Four thousand one hundred & eleven & 50/100 Dollars for land taken to widen Atkinson Street, upon their giving to the City a deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out & widening Streets. | Allen, Harris & Potter

734. Ordered: That the sum of
Dec. 5. 1853. Eighty nine dollars and two cents assessed by an order of this
Board of Dec. 7th 1853. upon Edwin Lemist for his proportional part
Sewer Land of the cost of constructing the common Sewer in Davis Street &
and the same is hereby abated, said Lemist having given to
the City about six thousand feet of land, on condition, that the
Street should be laid out and made and the drain constructed there-
in, at the expense of the City.

Watch On nomination by the Mayor,
Constables appointed the following were appointed Constables of the Watch, viz: Nathan
Underwood - Woodbury Jennes - Stephen N. Farbell - George W. Allan -
Ira E. Sanborn - Thomas M. Smith - Isaac B. Kimball - Jacob
Herrick - Sumner F. Barrett - Josiah Atkins - John C. Harrington -
William K. Jones - John Seaver - William Whitwell - John L.
Harvey - Nathaniel F. Stevens - Gaius W. Allen - Josiah Stoddard -
Charles C. Gregg.

Commercial Whereas, pursuant to an Order of
Street this Board passed on the fifteenth day of August 1853. public
notice thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer has
been constructed in Commercial Street, the cost of which was
Nineteen hundred and eighty nine Dollars and twenty five
cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the
said City, there remains Fourteen hundred and ninety one dollars
94/100 to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to
law: It is therefore, Ordered, that the persons named in the
Schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and
they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein
set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the
expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be cer-

tified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their 735.
tenants or assigns. Dec. 5, 1853

The Committee on the Assessors
Department to whom was recommitted the subject of the peti- Trinity
tion of George Trinity for abatement of taxes assessed upon cer-
tain land in South Boston having again considered the sub-
ject and given the petitioner a hearing, have arrived at the
same conclusion which they before entertained - in which opin-
ion they are sustained by the City Solicitor, who says the peti-
tioner has no legal claim in the matter. They therefore report
that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee,
Sleeper, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concur-
rence. Came up concurred Dec. 8th

Whereas the City Council by Bowman
a Resolve passed the third day of November took a certain & Trull -
piece of land, therein described, lying on Ivers Street and laid Ivers Street
out the same as a public street or way of said City, it is there-
fore Ordered, That due notice be given to S. N. Bowman and
John Trull and all other persons interested as owners, proprie-
tors, tenants, occupants, or otherwise, in said land that they cut
off, pull down, remove and carry away all buildings, erec-
tions and obstructions of every kind standing on and projecting
over the line of said Ivers Street, as established by the Resolve
aforesaid, or, move and set back the same to the said line,
and vacate and surrender the land and premises taken
as aforesaid on or before the first day of June now next en-
suing. And in default thereof, the Chief of Police is hereby di-
rected and empowered forthwith to enter upon said land and
cause all buildings, erections and obstructions standing on

736. and projecting over the line of said Ivers Street, as estab-
Dec. 5. 1853. lished by the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down,
removed and carried away, or to be moved and set back
to said line, and the said land to be vacated and surren-
dered under the direction of the Committee on laying out &
widening Streets.

Barnard. Whereas the City Council by a
Ivers Street. Order passed the third day of November last a certain par-
cel of land, therein described, lying on Ivers Street and laid
out the same as a public Street or way of said City, it is there-
fore Ordered, That due notice be given to John M. Barnard,
and all other persons interested as owners, proprietors, tenants,
occupants, or otherwise, in said land that they cut off, pull down,
remove and carry away all buildings, erections and obstruc-
tions of every sort standing on and projecting over the line of
said Ivers Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, or,
move and set back the same to the said line, and vacate and
surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid, on or be-
fore the first day of March now next ensuing. And in default
thereof the Chief of Police is hereby directed and empowered forth-
with to enter upon said land and cause all buildings, erections
and obstructions standing on and projecting over the line of
said Ivers street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, to be
cut off, pulled down, removed and carried away, or to be
moved and set back to said line, and the said land to be
vacated and surrendered under the direction of the Com-
mittee on laying out and widening Streets.

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Barnard Hawkins Street.

Whereas this Board by a Re= solve passed the twenty day of November last a certain parcel of land, therein described, lying on Hawkins Street and laid out the same as a public street or way of said City, it is therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to John M. Barnard and all other persons interested as owners, proprietors, tenants, occupants, or otherwise, in said land that they cut off, pull down, remove and carry away all buildings, erections and obstructions of every sort standing on and projecting over the line of said Hawkins Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, or, move and set back the same to the said line, and vacate and surrender the land and premises taken as afore= said on or before the first day of March now next ensuing. And in default thereof the Chief of Police is hereby directed and em= powered forthwith to enter upon said land and cause all buildings, erections and obstructions standing on and project= ing over the line of said Hawkins street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down, removed and carried away, or to be moved and set back to said line, and the said land to be vacated and surrendered under the direction of the Committee on laying out and widening Streets.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'Clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Twelfth day of December, A.D. 1853.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Sleeper.

Murphy

Petition of Donald Murphy for license as a dealer in Second hand articles. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Provident Institution for Savings

Petition of the Provident Institution for Savings for leave to extend their building over a portion of the Chapel Burying Ground. Referred to the Committee on Cemeteries.

Boston & Maine Rail Road.

Petition of the Boston and Maine Rail Road that the Order of this Board respecting their motive power may be suspended. Referred to the whole Board.

Miller.

Petition of Caroline Miller and of Charles E. Miller severally for abatement of taxes. Referred to the Committee on the Assessors' Department. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Upham. Ward No 5.

Petition of Henry Upham and others for the use of Ward Room of Ward No 5. for an evening School. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings with full power. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Blanchard Faneuil Hall

Petition of J. P. Blanchard and others for the use of Faneuil Hall December 22d to consider the subject of Cheap Ocean Postage. Referred to the Com-

mittee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board with full power. | 739. Dec. 12. 1853.

Petition of the Boston & Maine Rail Road for leave to take water from the Winchitucket Water Pipe in Charlestown. Referred to the Committee on Water. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Dec. 15. | Boston & Maine R.R.

Petition of Henry Sargent for abatement of assessment for construction of a Sidewalk in Fourth Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving. | Sargent.

Memorial of the Perkins Institution for the Blind, respecting the damage to their building by the change of grade in the Streets around the same. Referred to the Committee on Paving. | Perkins Institution

Petition of Greenleaf and Adams for leave to construct Coal holes under the Sidewalk in Fulton Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving. | Greenleaf

The Superintendent of Sewers presented to the Board Schedules of assessments for the construction of Common Sewers in Commercial Street, and in Chatham Street extended, which were referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains. | Commercial & Chatham Streets.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Atkinson Street, by taking land of Abbott Lawrence, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power. | Atkinson Street.

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New Street
Gale.

No person appearing to object to the proposed laying out of a New Street from Washington Street to Harrison Avenue, between Dover and Waltham Streets, by taking land of Theodore P. Gale and others, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Sea Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Sea Street by taking land of J. J. Way, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Foundry
Street

No person appearing to object to the proposed extension of First or Foundry Street in a southerly direction, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Spendthrift.

It appearing to the Board

Ridgway.

from the testimony of John W. Ridgway and others that Henry W. Ridgway of this City is a Spendthrift, and does by excessive drinking and idleness misspend and lessen his estate as thereby not only to bring himself to want but renders the City liable to a charge for his maintenance and stopped it was considered that a complaint setting forth said facts be made to the Judge of Probate praying that a Guardian may be appointed for said Ridgway according to the Statute.

Watchmen

On nomination by the Mayor, Joshua Foster, and David M. Foster were appointed on the Watch.

Sears

Petition of Abigail Sears for compensation for damages sustained by her in consequence of a defect in Scar Square. Referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence

on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of the Mechanic Riflemen to be refunded money paid by them for an Armory in 1847. 1848. & 1849. have duly considered the same and respectfully report the subjoined order. For the Committee, S. Reed, Chairman. Ordered: That the sum of Three hundred and fifty dollars be paid the Mechanic Infantry for rent of Armory from August 1847. to Sep. 1849. and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Incidental Expenses and Miscellaneous Claims.— Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and laid on the table.

Dec. 12, 1853. Mechanic Riflemen.

The joint Special Committee, to whom was referred so much of the address of the Mayor, as relates to a new Hospital for the Insane report (as per City Document No. 70.) and respectfully recommend the adoption of the following Resolve and Order. For the Committee, Benjamin Seaver, Chairman. Resolved, That in view of the increasing necessity for further and better accommodation for the Insane poor of our City, it is expedient that early action be taken by the City Council for the erection of a New Hospital, to be constructed with all the modern improvements for the treatment of this disease, to meet not only the present, but the future wants which our growing City may be called upon to provide for, and meet. Ordered, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Committee who have had this subject under consideration, the said Committee in conference with the Board of Visitors of the Boston Lunatic Hospital, and under the direction of the Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings, be authorized and empowered to purchase the site recommended in

New Lunatic Hospital.

742. the Report of said first mentioned Committee, provided the same can in their opinion be effected at a fair price. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Documents. Ordered: That the City Messenger be authorized to cause the files of City Documents for 1853. preserved by the members of the City Council, to be suitably bound for their use, when said files shall be fully completed. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Delano. Communication from W. H. Delano respecting an assessment laid on him for filling up a vacant piece of land on Liverpool, Border and Decatur Streets, to abate a nuisance. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Hale. The Committee on Streets reported
New Street. a Resolve and order to lay out a New Street from Washington Street to Harrison Avenue as prayed for by Theodore P. Hale and others. which were laid on the table.

Preston Leave was granted to J. P. Preston to construct Coal holes under the sidewalk in Davis Street on the usual conditions.

Auctioneer Henry G. Duane was appointed an Auctioneer of the City at 131 & 133 Federal Street.

Macallister. Leave was granted to A. Macallister
Nicolo. to give exhibitions of Magic &c. at the Melodeon on the usual
Harding. conditions: And also for Nicolo & Cappelino to give Gymnastic

Exhibitions at the Eagle Theatre, and to Harding and Anderson to exhibit a Panorama at Amory Hall. | 713. Dec. 12. 1853.

On the petitions of Mary Ann Ellis, Chas. Moore and Edward Bulman for additional damages occasioned by the change of grade in Church Street the Committee on Paving reported a reference of said subject to the next Board of Mayor and Aldermen. Read & accepted. | Ellis. Moore. Bulman. Church Street.

Resolved: That the City Council have the highest respect for their late City Solicitor P. W. Chandler, Esq. and that they desire to acknowledge the great value of his services to the City, and his devotion to its interests, during the period through which they have enjoyed the advantage of his eminent abilities. Resolved: That the thanks of the City Government be presented to Mr. Chandler for the very acceptable manner in which he has fulfilled the duties of his office; and that the City Clerk be directed to transmit to him a copy of these Resolutions. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. | Chandler. late City Solicitor.

Ordered: That, agreeably to the conditions expressed in the deed from Noah Sturtevant to the City of Boston, of the right of Sewerage through his land west of Border Street to the Sea, to wit - "That the said Sturtevant, his heirs and assigns, shall not pay any assessments for the construction of Sewers on his property on Border Street and Meridian Street, until he, or they, shall enter his, or their particular drains into said Sewers, and then only on the lot or lots to be drained by the entry of said particular drains." the collec- | Sturtevant. Border. Meridian. streets.

744 tion of the assessment laid upon his estates for the construction
Dec. 12. 1853. of the Common Sewer in Eutaw Street, and Meridian Street, be,
and the same is hereby postponed, until an entry shall have
been made into the Common Sewer.

Litchfield. Ordered: That for the reasons
Eutaw Street. set forth in the petition of Nichols Litchfield, for an abatement
of a portion of his assessment for the constructing the common
Sewer in Eutaw Street, the sum of twenty three dollars and eighty
one cents, be, and the same is hereby deducted from the amount
of his bill.

Williams. The Committee on the Market,
to whom was referred the communication of Aaron D. Williams
preferring complaints against Charles B. Rice, Superintendent
of Faneuil Hall Market, and also the Statement of Mr. Williams
respecting the lease of his Stall in the Market: having con-
sidered those subjects and given the parties a hearing there-
on, respectfully Report, That the charges against Mr. Rice,
being entirely unfounded, have been withdrawn by Mr. Wil-
liams. And as respects the lease of the stall, the Committee
are confirmed in the opinion that in letting his stall to
Stacy Hall he clearly violated the provisions of his lease from
the City; yet in consideration of the great length of time which
he has occupied his stall and of his repeated declarations
that he did not intend to violate the conditions of his lease,
the Committee would recommend that his request for a new
lease of said Stall may be favorably considered, at the expi-
ration of the lease now held by Stacy Hall. Per the Committee.
J. Seaver, Chairman. Read and laid on the Table.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred the communication of Andrew Cunningham in relation to the widening of Federal and Milk Streets,— Report: That they have communicated with Mr. Cunningham and with other parties interested in the measure proposed. The Committee regard it as very desirable for the City, that Federal and Milk Streets should be widened at their junction, particularly Federal Street. It is also deemed desirable that this should be effected before the lease of the building is renewed, and before it undergoes repairs and improvements which are now in contemplation. The Committee have not felt authorized to recommend the purchase of the estate by the City, at the price demanded by Mr. Cunningham, with a view to the sale of that part which was not needed for the widening of the Street. They suggested however to those whose property would be improved by the measure, that they would raise by subscription a sum, which would in part defray the expense, with the view of recommending the widening to the City Council in case a satisfactory sum was obtained. The Committee understand verbally that some steps have been taken in this direction, and that about Sixty five hundred dollars have been subscribed. But as it is expected that a larger amount will be obtained, and as it is understood that the matter is in progress, it is deemed inexpedient to take any definite action at the present time. It is therefore recommended that the subject be referred to the next Board of Mayor and Aldermen. For the Committee. Simpson Reed, Chairman. Read and accepted.

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Milk & Federal Streets. Cunningham.

The Committee on Sewers and Drains to whom was referred the petition of [illegible]

Sewers

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Notice respecting the purchase of the Common Sewer in East Orange Street, reported, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Horses using Artillery.

On the petition of N. P. Stevens & others for the use of the "City Horses" to be employed in the service of a "Light Artillery Corps", the Special Committee reported that they had examined the subject and they find that it will interfere so much with the present well regulated Department of Internal Health, that it would be inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners, and that therefore they should have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, T. P. Rich, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Fairbanks

Bedford Street.

On the petition of Stephen Fairbanks and others respecting the insufficiency of the Common Sewer in Bedford Street, the Committee on Sewers and Drains reported a reference of the subject to the next Board of Mayor & Aldermen, as the work cannot be accomplished this year. Read & accepted.

Spalding

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred the remonstrance of R. H. Spalding and others against the re-numbering of Court Street, reported, that no further action is required thereon. Read and accepted.

Allen, Harris & Potter. Perkins Street.

Whereas this Board by a Resolve passed the 26th day of September took a certain parcel of land, therein described, lying on Perkins Street and laid out the same as a public street or way of said City, it is therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to Allen, Harris & Potter and all other persons interested as owners, proprietors, tenants,

occupants, or otherwise, in said land that they cut off, pull down, remove and carry away all buildings, erections and obstructions of every sort standing on and projecting over the line of said Perkins street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, or, move and set back the same to the said line, and vacate and surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid on or before the first day of February now next ensuing. And in default thereof, the Chief of Police is hereby directed and empowered forthwith to enter upon said land and cause all buildings, erections and obstructions standing on and projecting over the line of said Perkins Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down, removed and carried away, or to be moved and set back to said line, and the said land to be vacated and surrendered under the direction of the Committee on laying out and widening Streets.

Paving Department. Fence.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to have a wooden fence constructed around the new building erected for the Paving Department on the City land in the rear of the City Stable, at an expense not exceeding [illegible] and that the amount be charged to the appropriation for Paving &c.

Laurence - Atkinson Street.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Atkinson Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Abbott Laurence bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the southeasterly corner of

748. the said land at the point where the boundary line between
Dec. 12, 1853. land of the said Laurence and land of Oliver Jenney meets the proposed line of widening of Atkinson Street; thence running southwestwardly in the direction of the said boundary line, eight feet and twenty eight hundredths of a foot; thence northwestwardly bounded by Atkinson Street on an irregular line, ninety three feet and seventy seven hundredths of a foot; thence northeastwardly by land of James M. Robbins, four feet and fifty eight hundredths of a foot and thence southeastwardly, along the said line of widening ninety three feet and sixty nine hundredths of a foot, to the point of beginning; containing seven hundred and forty square feet, and seventy five hundredths of a square foot, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return thereto annexed. It is hereby ordered that the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public road or way of the said City, according to a plan of the said widening made by E. S. Chesbrough dated December 12. 1853. and deposited in the office of the said Mayor & Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Atkinson Street, as aforesaid, will amount to Thirty two hundred and twenty dollars; which sum, together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year, does exceed the sum of Five thousand dollars. Passed: Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Dec. 22d

On the petition of John Boles & 749.
others that Richmond Street be widened between Hanover & Dec. 12. 1853.
Salem Sts.— The Committee on laying out and widening
Streets, to whom the petition was referred, respectfully report, Rich. mond
that the widening of Richmond Street is very desirable; that Street.
a hearing has been granted to the petitioners, and the Com=
mittee expected to receive such a proposition from the petitioners
as would enable the Board to effect the improvement without
so great expense to the City; but, as no such proposition has
been received, the Committee think it inexpedient at present
to take any action in the premises. For the Committee, J.
Reed, Chairman. Read and accepted.

On the petition of Samuel Train.
Train and others respecting the extension of Penn Street.— The Penn Street.
Committee on Laying out and widening Streets to whom this
petition was referred, respectfully report, that they have given
the petitioners a hearing, and expected to receive a proposition
from the parties most interested in the desired improvement,
which would materially diminish the expense to the City; but,
as no such proposition has been received, the Committee think
it inexpedient at present to take any action in the premises.
For the Committee J. Reed Chairman. Read and accepted.

Whereas Thomas Lord & Lord
others have petitioned this Board to lay out a new Street from Oli-
Myrtle to May Streets, in the said City; and, in the opinion New Street
of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants Myrtle to
require that the said Street should be laid out at the place
described in the said petition it is therefore hereby Ordered, That

730 due notice be given to W. P. Otis that this Board intend to lay
Dec. 12. 1853. out the Street before mentioned, by taking the Land as afore-
said and laying out the same as a public Street and that
Monday, the Nineteenth day of December instant, at four
o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections
which may be made thereto.

Robbins Street. Whereas James M. Robbins has
given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings
on Atkinson Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of
the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants re-
quire that the said Street should be widened at the place de-
scribed in the said notice, it is therefore Hereby Ordered, That
due notice be given to the said James M. Robbins that this
Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking
a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid
and laying out the same as a public Street; and that
Monday, the Nineteenth day of December instant, at four
o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections
which may be made thereto.

Allen, Harris & Potter - Perkins Street. Ordered: That there be paid
to Allen, Harris & Potter, the sum of Two thousand six hundred
forty nine 15/100 Dollars, for land taken to widen Perkins
Street, upon their giving to the City a Deed for the same, and
an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and
expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same
be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening
Streets.

Stone - Lewis Street Whereas it appears to this
Board that the premises in Lewis Street, East Boston owned by

P. R. L. Stone and occupied by Mary Burke and others, are in a 751
state of nuisance caused by the want of proper and sufficient Dec. 13. 1853.
vaults for the same: and whereas said parties, after due notice
have neglected to construct proper and sufficient vaults for said
premises, therefore Ordered: That the Chief of Police be and he is
hereby directed to cause a proper and sufficient vault to be
constructed for said premises, according to law, at the expense
of the said owner or occupants

Ordered: That there be paid Union
to the Union Guards, a Company of the Mass. Volunteer Militia at Guards
East Boston, the sum of twenty dollars and eighty seven cents
in full for rent of armory to Oct. 1. 1853. according to the memorial &
account herewith submitted. Said amount to be charged to the
appropriation for Incidental Expenses and Miscellaneous Claims.
Passed: Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Dec. 22d

The Committee on the Assess- Hinkley
ors' Department to whom was referred the petition of Samuel
L. Hinkley for abatement of his poll and personal taxes for 1853.
Report: That the petitioner claims that his residence was in South-
ampton, but it appears that himself and family resided in
Boston on the first day of January last and therefore by Statute
of 1852. were taxable here and also that himself and family
resided here on the first of May last which in the opinion
of your Committee, settles the point of residence, and they there-
fore recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.
For the Committee, J. Sleeper, Chairman. Read and accepted.
Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred December 15.

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Mann.

The Joint Standing Committee on the Assessors' Department, to whom was referred the petition of Joseph Mann and others, trustees, for the abatement of taxes assessed upon the "Loring Estate" so called, in Somerset Street, respectfully report: that they see no reason why the taxes assessed upon this piece of property, recently purchased by the First Baptist Society, should be abated, inasmuch as the Church edifice owned by said Society in Union Street was not taxed this year. Your Committee cannot think that the Statute exempting Houses of Public Worship" from taxation covers real estate owned by any Society in addition to the property on which their edifice stands. They therefore recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. J. Sleeper, Chairman. Read & accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, December 15.

Parker

The Joint Standing Committee on the Assessors' Department, to whom was referred the petition of William Parker for abatement of his taxes, respectfully Report: That it appears that Mr. Parker is an inhabitant of the town of Cohasset, that he was not in Boston on the first of January last nor on the first of May last, that he never intended to change his domicil from Cohasset, where he is taxed for his income and poll. Your Committee therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee, J. Sleeper, Chairman.

Ordered: That the Assessors be, and they are hereby, directed to abate the poll and personal tax assessed upon William Parker for 1853. amounting in the aggregate to Four hundred and fifty seven 5/100 dollars, the same having been illegally assessed. Read, accepted & the order passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. Dec. 22.

On motion of Alderman Rich, 753.

it was voted that when the Board adjourns it be to Wednesday next at 12 o'clock M. and Aldermen Rich and White were appointed a committee to examine the returns of votes given in this day for a Mayor and eight Aldermen, and to report at the abovenamed time. Dec. 12, 1853. Votes. Return of

Ordered: That there be paid to Mrs. Catherine French and Joseph Hale the sum of Fourteen hundred and seventy three 57/100 Dollars for land taken to widen Green and Leverett Streets, upon their giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; including all claims of tenants; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Green & Leverett Sts. French - Hale.

Adjourned to Wednesday next, 12 o'clock, M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Wednesday the Fourteenth day of December, Anno Domini 1853.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen Sleeper and Clay.

Dec. 14. 1853

Votes for Mayor & Aldermen

The Committee appointed to examine the returns of votes given in the several Wards on Monday last for a Mayor and eight Aldermen to constitute the Board of Mayor and Aldermen the ensuing year, reported, that the whole number of ballots for Mayor was 13,039. Necessary for a choice 6520. No person appearing to have that number there is no choice of Mayor. The whole number of votes for Aldermen was 13,034 Necessary for choice 6523. Oliver Frost has 6938 Paul. Adams has 6618. and they only appear to have been duly elected.

Warrant for Ward meeting

Ordered: That warrants be issued for the meeting of the legal voters of this City in their respective Wards on Tuesday the 27th day of December instant at 9 o'clock. A.M. for the purpose of giving in their ballots for a Mayor and Six Aldermen all of whom to be Inhabitants of said City, to complete the Board of Mayor and Aldermen for the ensuing year. All the foregoing to be voted for on one ballot. The Polls to be kept open until 4 o'clock, P.M.

Warr. Church Street.

Ordered: That there be paid to Moses Carr the sum of Fifty Dollars the same being in addition to the amount in Order passed Dec. 5. 1853. for damages sustained by him in consequence of change of grade of Church Street, upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages and expenses in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving.

New Street Hule

On motion of Alderman Reed the Resolve providing for the opening of a New Street from Washington Street to Harrison Avenue, between Lucy & William

Streets was taken from the Table, and is as follows, viz: Resolv- 755.
ed That the equity and convenience of the Inhabitants of the Dec. 14. 1853.
City require that a new Street should be laid out from Washing-
ton Street to Harrison Avenue, between Ashland & Cottage Places,
and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a
public street or way of the said City a parcel of land belonging
to George W. Thayer, Nathan Crowell, Theodore P. Hale, John T. Bacon,
Walter Chipman, William H. Bangs, Ebenezer Howes, and Cor-
nelius Hersey- bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the westerly
corner of the said land, at the point where the boundary line
between land of the said Thayer and land of John M. Mayo meets
the southeasterly line of Washington Street; thence running
southeastwardly, bounded by land of the said Mayo, sixty eight
feet; thence more eastwardly, by land of the said Mayo and
land of the New England Mill two hundred and thirty seven
feet and thirty seven hundredths of a foot; thence northeast-
wardly, by Harrison Avenue, thirty two feet and seven hun-
dredths of a foot; thence northwardly, parallel to the second above
described line & at a distance of thirty feet northeastwardly there-
from, two hundred and forty three feet, and fifty three hundredths
of a foot; thence more northwardly, parallel to the first above de-
scribed line, and at a distance of thirty feet northeastwardly
therefrom, seventy three feet; and thence southwestwardly, by
Washington Street, thirty feet, to the point of beginning; containing
nine thousand three hundred and twenty eight and a half
square feet, more or less: Taking from the said Thayer thirty
one hundred and twenty square feet, from the said Crowell,
Hale, Bacon, Hersey, Bangs, Howes, and Chipman, six hun-
dred and sixty square feet each, and fifteen hundred and

756. eighty eight and a half square feet held jointly by the seven
Dec. 14. 1853. last named persons And whereas, due notice has been given of
the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for
the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annex-
ed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before describ-
ed be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public
street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said
Land made by A. F. Smethurst dated December 12th 1853, and deposited
in the office of the said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board
doth adjudge that the expense of laying out the said street as
aforesaid, will amount to eleven thousand seven hundred dol-
lars: which sum does exceed the sum of five thousand dollars.
Passed: Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Dec 22d

Greenleaf & Adams

Leave was granted to Greenleaf and Adams to construct Coal holes under the sidewalk in Fulton Street.

Adjourned to Monday next at 4 o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor & Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Nineteenth day of December, Anno Domini, 1853

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen Cary and Frost.

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred a communication from the School Committee to the City Council, proposing alterations in the Mather School House, accompanied by plans with Majority and Minority reports thereon and other documents upon the subject. Report: That the Mather School requires increased and improved accommodations, cannot be doubted by any person who has become acquainted with the facts, or visited the Institution. They therefore recommend the whole subject to the same consideration of the next City Council. For the committee Benjamin James, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, December 22d

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Dec. 19. 1853.
Mather School House

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred the petition of Joshua Jenkins and others, asking that a new house may be built for Engine No. 1. have considered the subject and make the following Report: The committee are satisfied that the present wooden house is in a very dilapidated condition and the floor even dangerous to run the Engine on; the lateness of the season only prevents reporting in favor of the petition they therefore recommend the subject to the early attention of the next City Council. For the committee, Benjamin James, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Dec. 22d

Jenkins Engine No. 1.

The Joint Special Committee of the City Council who were directed to report upon so much of the Mayors address as relates to the Back Bay Lands, and who were authorized to report in print, presented to the City Coun-

Back Bay Lands

708 cil their report on that subject (being City Document № 63)
Dec. 19. 1853 accompanied by the following order:— Ordered: That the
Mayor be authorized, under the direction of the Committee
of the City Council upon the lands in the Back Bay, to re-
ceive such deeds of land from the Commonwealth of Massa-
chusetts, or from the commissioners who were appointed under
a resolve of the Legislature passed May 20, 1852. concerning
Boston Harbor, and the Back Bay; and to make such agree-
ments with said commissioners, or with the Commonwealth,
concerning the building of streets in the "Empty Basin", and
the future use and occupation of the City Lands west of Charles
Street; and concerning the compensation to the City for the ex-
pense of building said streets, as may in the judgement of the
committee be for the interest of the city. In Common Council,
December 15th Read and referred to the next City Council. Came
up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Harrington Petition of Jonathan Harrington
Mooney for leave to give exhibitions of Ventriloquism at Tyrem's Hall;—
of M. J. Mooney for leave to give a Sacred Concert at the Melodeon
on Christmas Night:— Referred to the Committee on Licenses with
full power.

Petition of Caleb A. Meloy for license
Meloy to deal in second hand articles at № 360 Hanover Street. Refer-
red to the Committee on Licenses

Petition of Atkinson and Ferrald
Atkinson for remuneration of the cost of the Iron Pavement in Howard Street;
Ferrald. of Maria Ferrald to be compensated the damages occasioned by
the change of grade in Fourth & G. Streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving

Petition of Isaac Livermore for leave to move a wooden building from Causeway Street to Canal Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving with full power. — Dec. 19. 1853. Livermore

Petition of Joseph Burnett for leave to enlarge his cellar window in Tremont Row, — of Laurence Costigan for leave to lower a portion of his sidewalk in Atkinson Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving. — Burnett. Costigan.

Petition of the Mount Washington Avenue Corporation that the City would take measures to secure the street proposed to meet their Avenue. Referred to the Joint Special Committee who were heretofore appointed on that subject. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Dec. 29th — Mount Washington Avenue.

Petition of the Ward officers of Ward No. 2. that their Ward room may be lighted with Gas. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings with full power. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred December 29th — Ward No. 2. Ward room.

On the petition of A.R. Davis for leave to give a Concert (a "Gift Concert") at the Music Hall on the 20th & 21st instant, the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted. — Gift Concert.

Donald Murphy was licensed as a dealer in Second hand articles at 13. Wharf Street. — Second hand articles.

William Harrison was licensed as an Innholder at 66. Friend Street. — License

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Petition of Andrew J. Gavett

Dec 19 '83 Gavett. to be refunded certain Water Taxes paid by him under protest. Referred to the Committee on Water. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Dec. 22d

Harvard St Improvement Society

Communication from the Harvard Street Improvement Society requesting the consent of the City Treasurer to receipt their Tax Bill. Referred to the Committee on the Treasury Department. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Dec 22

Sudbury Street.

The Superintendent of Sewers presented to the Board a schedule of assessments for the construction of a common sewer in Sudbury Street to Haymarket Square. Referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains.

New Street Otis. Myrtle St

No person appearing to object to the proposed laying out of a New Street from Myrtle Street to Otis Street by taking land of William Otis, the subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Atkinson Street

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Atkinson Street by taking land of J. H. Wilkins, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Bradford.

Petition of William B. Bradford & others, Wardens of the City of Boston, that the City Government would offer a reward for the detection of Fraudulent Voters. Read and laid on the table.

City Physician.

A communication from the City Physician proposing a Sanitary Visitation of the City in view of

the approach of the Cholera; was read, laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

The Committee on Ordinances to whom were referred an "ordinance to repeal certain ordinances respecting the survey of Lumber" and an "ordinance in relation to the survey of Lumber"; have considered the said subjects and recommend that they be referred to the next City Council. For the Committee, Charles Demond. In Common Council. Read and accepted. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. | Lumber

The Common Council having referred to the next City Council the order which came before this Board Nov^r 21 respecting the sale of the Public Garden said action came up for concurrence. Read and the subject was laid upon the table. | Public Garden.

The Ordinance in relation to the Fire Department, being City Document No^r 9. was taken from the table, and having been "Highly amended was passed to the Board. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, Dec^r 29. | Fire Arms. Fire Department.

Alderman White presented to the Board the Third Annual Report of the Board of Public Land Commissioners, which was read, laid on the table and ordered to be printed. | Land Commissioners.

The Committee on Ordinances to whom was referred the order in relation to contract with City Officers, have considered the subject and report that in their opinion it is inexpedient to make any change in the ordinance in relation thereto. For the Committee, Charles Demond. In Common | City Officers. contract with

Dec. Council. Read and accepted. Came up for concurrence. Read
Dec. 19. 1853. and concurred.

Channing. The Joint Standing Committee on the Assessors' Department to whom was referred the petition of Ruth Gibbs Channing for an abatement of her personal tax, respectfully Report: That it appears that the petitioner in September last paid a personal tax in Portsmouth, R.I. where she has a house and claims to reside that she was not in Boston either on the first of January or the first of May last that she has not been in this city except for a day or two at a time since the 30th day of April of the present year. On this statement of facts, and after submitting the same to the City Solicitor, the Committee are satisfied that the personal tax assessed upon the petitioner was illegal and should be abated. They therefore recommend the adoption of the accompanying order. For the Committee, J. Sleeper, Chairman. Ordered: That the Assessors be and they are hereby authorized and directed to abate the tax assessed upon the personal estate and income of Ruth Gibbs Channing, the same having been illegally assessed, amounting in the whole to one Hundred and fourteen dollars. Passed: Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Dec. 29.

Sudbury, Canal and Haymarket Square Ordered: That in making up the assessment for constructing the common Sewer in Sudbury and Haymarket Square, and Canal Street, that the Superintendent of Common Sewers be, and he is hereby directed to assume for the City, the cost of that portion of the Sewer in Canal Street and Haymarket Square, and to assess the remainder on the estates benefitted according to law.

Ordered: That the order of this Board passed January 14, 1850. authorizing Dr. Charles A. Buckingham as the Agent of the Boylston Medical School to take the dead bodies of such paupers dying at Deer Island, as shall remain unclaimed for twenty four hours according to law, and which shall be required to be buried at the public expense, be and the same is hereby confirmed and declared to be in full force - with this exception however, that during the months of November, December, January and February of each year, the bodies of such persons so dying and unclaimed as aforesaid shall be delivered to the duly authorized agent of the Massachusetts Medical Society. Dec. 4, 1850. Deer Island subject

Ordered: That there be paid to John P. Healy the sum of Six Hundred and sixty six Dollars for land taken to widen Salem Street, and all damages by said widening and all damages to tenants, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance & discharge for all damages, cost and expence in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Healy. Salem Street.

Resolved, That the laying and concurrence of the Aldermen of the City require that Atkinson Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City a parcel of land belonging to James H. Robbins - bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the southeasterly corner of the said land, being the northeasterly corner of land lately taken from Abbott Lawrence to widen Atkinson Street; thence running northwardly, along the proposed line of widening of Atkinson Street, Atkinson Street. James H. Robbins

764. thirty five feet and fifty eight hundredths of a foot; thence South-
Dec 19 1853 westwardly, bounded by land of Samuel Sanford, four feet and
ninety two hundredths of a foot; thence southwardly, by Atkinson
Street, on an irregular line, thirty five feet and seventy three
hundredths of a foot; and thence northeastwardly, by the said land
taken from Hiram Laurence, four feet and fifty eight hundredths
of a foot, to the point of beginning; containing one hundred and
eighty six square feet and thirty hundredths of a square foot,
more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the inten-
tion of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose
aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is there-
fore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and
the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or
way of the said City according to a plan of the said widening
made by E. S. Chesbrough dated December 12, 1853 and deposited
in the office of the said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board
doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Atkinson
Street, as aforesaid, will amount to eight hundred and twenty
dollars; which sum together with the amount of estimates
of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during
the present municipal year do not exceed the sum of five thous-
and dollars. The foregoing resolve and passed. Sent down for
concurrence. Came up concurred December 29.

Riley. Whereas Hugh Riley and others
Beverly St. have petitioned this Board to widen Beverly Street, in the said
City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and conve-
nience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be
widened at the place described in the said petition it is therefore

hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to Alfred Perkins, George W. Gerrish, D. D. Badger, [illegible] S. Anstis [illegible] Wentworth Abraham Francis, and the heirs of Harrison Gray Otis, that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street and that Monday the twenty fifth day of December instant at four o'clock P.M. be assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto. | 765. Dec 19 1853.

Ordered, That there be paid Charles Chipman the sum of Nine hundred and seventy five Dollars for services in moving the fronts of three houses on Salem Street upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for the same and all costs and expenses; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. | Chipman. Salem Street

Ordered, That there be paid to Samuel Leeds the sum of Fifteen hundred Dollars for land taken to widen Salem and Cooper Streets, and for damage to buildings and tenants, and for cutting off buildings and building up, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. | Leeds. Salem & Cooper Streets.

Ordered, That there be paid to George N. Robinson the sum of One thousand and seventy nine $\frac{54}{100}$ Dollars for land taken to widen Richmond Street, and all expense of cutting of buildings and building up, upon his | G. Robinson. Richmond Street.

766 giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance &
Dec. 19. 1853. discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of
said taking, and that the same be charged to the appropriation
for laying out and widening Streets.

New Street. Resolved, That the safety and
Otis convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that a New
Myrtle Street Street from Bay Tree to Myrtle Street should be laid out and
for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public
street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Wm
F. Otis bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the southeasterly
corner of the said land, at a point in the northerly line of
Myrtle Street distant twenty six feet and sixty seven hun-
dredths of a foot westwardly from the centre line of the westerly
wall of a brick building now erecting on land of Gideon Lour-
rier, measuring along the said northerly line; thence running
northwardly, parallel to the said centre line, bounded by land
of Alleyne Otis, sixty feet; thence westwardly, by May Street, twenty
six feet and thirty three hundredths of a foot; thence southward-
ly, by land of George W. Messenger, sixty feet and forty three hun-
dredths of a foot and thence eastwardly by Myrtle Street, nine-
teen feet and seventeen hundredths of a foot, to the point of
beginning: containing fifteen hundred and sixty five square
feet, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the
intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the
purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed,
It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described
be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public
street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said
laying out, made by E. S. Chesbrough, dated December 19th 1853. and

deposited in the office of the said Mayor and Aldermen. And 1867
this Board doth adjudge that the expence of laying out the Dec. 19, 1853.
said new street, as aforesaid, will amount to two thousand
dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of
previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the
present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thous-
and dollars.

Whereas the City Council by a | South Street
Vote passed the eighteenth instant took certain parcel of land | Worcester
herein described, lying on South Street and laid out the same | Rail Road
as a public street or way of said City, it is therefore Ordered, That
due notice be given to the Boston & Worcester Rail Road and
all other persons interested as owners, proprietors, tenants, occu-
pants, or otherwise in said land that they cut off, pull down,
remove and carry away all buildings, erections and obstruc-
tions of every sort standing on and projecting over the line of
said South street, as established by the vote aforesaid, or,
move and set back the same to the said line, and vacate
and surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid
on or before the first day of February, now next ensuing. And
in default thereof, the Chief of Police is hereby directed and
empowered forthwith to enter upon said land and cause all
buildings, erections and obstructions standing on and project-
ing over the line of said South street, as established by the Re-
solve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down, removed and carried
away, or to be moved and set back to said line, and the said
land to be vacated and surrendered under the direction of the
Committee on laying out and widening Streets.

Dec 16 1853
Chatham
Street

Whereas, pursuant to an Or-
der of this Board passed on the 2d day of August 1853 public
notice thereof having first been given a Common Sewer has
been constructed in Chatham Street extended the cost of which
was Twenty four hundred and five dollars and sixteen cents,
one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said
City, there remains Eighteen hundred and three dollars $\frac{87}{100}$
to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to
law: It is therefore, Ordered, that the persons named in the Sched-
ule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and
they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein
set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the
expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be cer-
tified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid their tenants
or lessees.

Commercial
& Clark
Streets

Whereas, pursuant to an Order
of this Board, passed on the fifth day of March 1853. public notice
thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer has been con-
structed in Commercial and Clark Streets, the cost of which
was Seventeen hundred and five dollars and fifty three
cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by
the said City, there remains Twelve hundred and seventy nine
dollars 15. to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, accord-
ing to law: It is therefore, Ordered, that the persons named in
the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid,
be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums
therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part
of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to
be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their ten-
ants or lessees.

Whereas it an order which
passed this Board this day, the Long Wharf Corporation were assess-
ed in the sum of Nine hundred and sixty four dollars and
ninety four cents, for constructing the Common Sewer in Chatham
Street extended, said sum being the amount levied upon the
stores numbered 12. to 34. inclusive on Long Wharf, therefore, Ordered:
that after the said sum shall have been paid to the city by the
Corporation, they shall be entitled to receive from the individual
owners of said stores, the amount assessed upon each lot, when-
ever an entrance shall have been made into the Common Sewer
from their respective estates.

Dec. 19, 1853.
Long Wharf
Corporation.

An order authorizing the com-
mittee on Public Buildings to purchase 2700 feet of land on
Onego Street, in the rear of the Primary School House on
Genesee Street, for the purpose of enlarging the yard of the
School House at a price not exceeding twenty three hundred
and sixty three dollars, and that the same be charged to the
appropriation for Primary School Houses; was referred in Com-
mon Council to the Committee on Public Buildings. Came up for
concurrence. Read and concurred.

Onego
Street
Genesee St.
School House.

The Joint Standing Com-
mittee on the Public Library to whom was referred the Reports
of the Trustees of the Public Library and of the Committee to
examine the same reing City Document No 12. have attended
to the duty assigned them and respectfully Report: That the
only point contained in the said reports, which seem to require
any action, is the suggestion and recommendation of the Trus-
tees that a special commission be appointed to whom shall
be confided the erection of the new Library Building. In this

Public
Library

770. recommendation the Committee unanimously concur, and ex-
Dec. 19. 1853. press the hope that it will be fully carried into effect. They are of the opinion that the Board of Commission should consist of one member from each branch of the City Council, and one from the Board of Trustees of the Library, and two from the citizens at large to be jointly submitted to Benjamin Shurtz, Chairman. In Common Council Read and referred to the next City Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Conley- The Joint Standing Committee on
land in Public Lands, to whom was referred the petition of C.C. Conley to the
Rochester City Council that some disposition may be made of the lot of land in
Rochester Flats belonging to the City formerly used as a Gymnasium
Grounds and praying to purchase the interest which the City might have
in the same," have bestowed due attention to the subject, and sub-
mit the following Report: That after examining the premises re-
ferred to, and duly considering the offer of $1200 made for the same
by the petitioner, they fell fully satisfied the interest of the City de-
manded that further investigations should be made as to the
title of the City to the said land. Accordingly they obtained such
information upon the subject as was accessible to them, and then
in the absence of the City Solicitor, (Mr. Chandler) submitted all the
documents to Edward M. Rand Esq. suggesting such inquiries to
him as would probably elicit all the facts in the case. The opinion
of Mr. Rand, concurred in by the present City Solicitor, Mr Hillard, is
herewith submitted to the City Council. The lot of land in question
comprises about 70,000 Square feet. It is well located for building
purposes, and provided a clear title can be obtained, it will be
worth to the City in the estimation of the Committee, not less than

Dec. 19. 1853.

$ 5.7. The said offer of the sum of $1200 is based upon the petition-
er's relief, as he declares, that the City possesses no interest in the
land, except for the purpose of a Cemetery. Your Committee there-
fore recommend that said offer be refused, and the petitioner have
leave to withdraw. They also recommend the adoption of the follow-
ing Order. For the Committee, Stephen Tillon, Jr. Ordered, That the
Mayor be, and he is hereby authorized and instructed to petition
the Legislature to enact [illegible] the City of Boston the power to sell
and "convey in fee simple" and discharged from all uses and
trusts the tract of land at South Boston, which was set off to the
said City by Commissioners appointed by the Supreme Judicial
Court, under the Act annexing South Boston to the City to be used
for the purposes of a Burying Ground. Read, laid on the table
and ordered to be printed. (See page 801.)

Sargent

On the petition of Henry Sar-
gent for abatement of an assessment for construction of a sidewalk
in Fourth Street, the Committee on Paving reported the following
order, viz: Ordered: That the sum of $28.05 assessed upon Henry
Sargent, Agent, for cost of construction of a sidewalk in Fourth
Street, be and the same is hereby abated on account of the poverty
of the owner of the estate. Read, accepted and the order passed.

Alderman Whiting presented
to the Board the petition of the "Peoples Ferry Company" for estima-
tion of damages occasioned by their taking a portion of Cunning-
hams Wharf for purposes of their Ferry: Read and thereupon it was
Ordered: That due notice be given to C. P. & N. D. Gardner, William
Bramhall and William Kelley, owners of said Wharf; and to the
petitioners, that this Board will meet said parties upon the premises

772 in question on Saturday next at 11 o'Clock A.M. when they will
Dec. 19, 1853 proceed to estimate said damages as prayed for.

Otis Whereas this Board by a Resolve passed this day took a certain parcel of land, therein described, lying between Myrtle and May Streets and laid out the same as a public street or way of said City, it is therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to William F. Otis and all other persons interested as owners, proprietors, tenants, occupants, or otherwise, in said land that they cut off, pull down, remove and carry away all buildings, erections and obstructions of every kind standing on and projecting over the line of said proposed street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, or, move and set back the same to the said line and vacate and surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid on or before the first day of January now next ensuing. And in default thereof, the Chief of Police is hereby directed and empowered forthwith to enter upon said land and cause all buildings, erections and obstructions standing on and projecting over the line of said proposed street as established by the Resolve aforesaid to be cut off, pulled down removed and carried away, or to be moved and set back to said line, and the said land to be vacated and surrendered under the direction of the Committee on laying out and widening Streets.

Marginal Street. See 26. & 29. pages 8[illegible] On motion of Alderman Rich — Ordered; That the vote of this Board of September 12th 1853. accepting the report of the Committee on Paving, that it was inexpedient to take any further action respecting the grading of Marginal Street, be reconsidered. — Whereupon Alderman Rich offered

the following order. Whereas a certain street or way has been opened in this City from the Grand Junction Wharf to Sumner Road over private land, by the owners thereof, and dedicated to, and permitted to be used by, the public, which said street or way commonly called Marginal Street has not been accepted and laid out according to law; and whereas the owners of the lots abutting on the said street or way, by an order of this Board, passed on the sixteenth day of May last, were notified to grade the said street, or way forthwith, and whereas the said owners of such abutting lots after due notice of said order have neglected or refused to grade such street or way in manner aforesaid:- Ordered, That the said street or way be graded forthwith under the direction of the Superintendent of Streets, according to a plan of said section drawn by R. H. Eddy and recorded in Suffolk Registry of Deeds, provided the same be approved by the City Engineer and that the said Superintendent keep an accurate account of the expense thereof, and report to this Board an estimate of the value of the lots abutting on the said street or way to the end that the expense may be equitably assessed upon the owners of such abutting lots. 1873. Dec. 19. 1853

Paving. Perkins Institution.

The Committee on Paving to whom was referred the petition of the Trustees and Directors of the Perkins Institution for the Blind have given the subject a very careful consideration and ask for the following hearing and report. The amount appropriated for the Paving Department for the present year was $180.000 - when asking for this amount, the large damages incurred by the Committee on Paving of last year, were not known to the present Committee & were not included in this appropriation and have been paid

from it, such as damages sustained on Church Street, amount-
Sic. 19, 1853. ing to $17,500. on Indiana Place, Old Harbor and other Streets,
to $6500- making $23,800- five thousand, only, of which were
supposed to be wanted for all damages. There are still, some
small claims to come in for damages on Old Road, and one
from George Howe of Fifteen hundred dollars, which, with the
foregoing and the sum proposed by the Committee to be allow-
ed the Perkins Institute (say $10,000) will amount in all, paid
and unpaid, to $35,700.- There are also some $2500 more on Church
Street not included in the foregoing, which will probably be called
for. There have also been expended for sidewalks some $14,000
This amount comes back to the City Treasury, but not to the
appropriation for Paving. Although the amount expended for
the Department appears to be the full appropriation of $100,000-
the actual expenditures for work for this year are but about
$142,000. The Committee are not aware of any damages for
which claims may be made, excepting such as are named
in this Statement, so that a new Committee coming in will
be better prepared to judge of the wants of the Department for
the coming year. The Committee thus account for their
stewardship as far as relates to outside expenditures, and now,
as the appropriation is used up, offer the accompanying Reports.
For the Committee, T.P. Rich, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Perkins Institution for the Blind.

The Committee on Paving report, that the Perkins Institution for the Blind has been dam-
aged by the alterations in grades of the streets on which its
property is located, to the amount of $10.000.- The Institution, al-
though partially a private one, is a credit to Boston, and

should be dealt with in the most liberal manner, and when- 1775.
ever anything can be done legally, by the City, for the furtherance of Dec. 19. 1853.
its charitable intents, it should be done promptly and without stint.
As the Committee have not had before them until this late mom-
ent, the full statement of its damages suffered, they recommend
that the subject be referred to the next Board of Mayor and
Aldermen; and invite their early attention to the same. For the
Committee, J.P. Rich, Chairman. Read and accepted.

The Committee on Paving
report, on the petition and memorial of George Howe, that his es-
tate on Water, Congress and Hawes Streets, has been damaged to
the amount of Fifteen hundred dollars, in consequence of the
alterations in the grade of said streets, and that this amount
should be paid to him upon his giving the City a full discharge for
all claims against the City. The Committee further report
that as the appropriation for Paving has been expended, the subject
be referred to the next Board of Mayor and Aldermen; and they
invite their early action upon the case. For the Committee, J.P. Rich
Chairman. Read and accepted.

The Committee on Paving Old Road.
who have had under consideration the claims for damage made Williams-
by Samuel Leeds, Agent for Miss Harriet Williams, and by Jo. Leeds-
Davis and Jemima Emerson in consequence of the alterations Davis
of grade of Old Road, South Boston; Report: That Miss Williams Emerson.
is entitled to $100- Jos Davis to $100, and Jemima Emerson to
$200;- and the Committee recommend that these several cases
be referred to the next Board of Mayor and Aldermen, our
appropriation for the Paving Department being all expended.

770 and the time being too short for the present Board to take any further action. For the Committee, J. P. Rich, Chairman. - Read and accepted.

Adjourned to Saturday next at 10½ o'Clock, A.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Thursday the Twenty Second day of December, A. D. 1853.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen Cary & White.

Scribner. Petition of Elbe Scribner to be paid for Ladders furnished and left at the fire in Water Shed. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Public Land. Tow-Streets. Communication from Superintendent of Public Lands, stating that two new streets had been laid out fifteen feet wide from Springfield Street to Worcester Street, and asking the approval of the Board on the same. Read and referred to the Committee on Streets.

Eastern Rail Road Co. Notice of intention to build by the Eastern Rail Road Corporation on Causeway and Andover Streets. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Howe - Old Road. Communication from S. G. Howe concerning damages sustained from the change of grade

in the Old Road. Referred to the Committee on Paving.	777. Dec. 22, 1853.
The lease of a basement room in the New Court House to George J. Dexter for three years from July 1. at $250 per annum was approved by the Board	Lease.
Remonstrance of the East Boston Regiment the use of Cunningham's Wharf for a Ferry Slip. Referred to the whole Board.	East Boston & Peoples Ferry.
Agreeably to the report of the Committee on the Fire Department, Washington Hydrant Co. No 1. had leave to withdraw on the subject of re-instating Geo. L. Ratt in his office of Clerk of said Company:- and the nomination of Alfred Williams for said office was confirmed by the Board.	Washington Hydrant Co. No 1. & Ratt.
Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances be instructed to consider whether any alterations are necessary, and if any, what, in the Ordinance entitled 'Officers and Office hours' passed September 9. 1850. with authority to report by ordinance or otherwise. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Dec. 22d	Office hours.
Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to have a fence made on the "Old Road" from H. to I. Streets.	Old Road
The Committee on Paving to whom was referred the petition of Atkinson and Eveleth for remuneration of the cost of the Iron Pavement in Howard Street, reported, that they had examined the claims of the petitioners, and find that the pavements were allowed to be placed in Howard Street at their request, they agreeing to pay the expense of the same,	Atkinson et al Iron Pavement in Howard Street.

[illegible] it from consideration by them as a part of an advertisement, they
Dec 22 1852. respectfully report that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read
and accepted.

Leases Alderman James presented to the
Board a schedule of Leases made by the Committee on Public
Building, of the Old State House Court House, and the Bridge
Estate, to certain parties. Read and laid upon the table.

Pratt. The Joint Standing Committee on
Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Daniel E. Pratt, that
the suit against him may be discontinued, respectfully report:
That, in the opinion of the Committee, it is expedient to refer the
same to the next City Council. For the Committee, Sampson Reed,
Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.
Came up concurred Dec. 22.

Lexington Ordered: That the sum of Fifty
Street. dollars and seventy five cents, assessed upon George W. Ger-
rish for his proportional part of the cost of constructing the
common sewer in Lexington Street, be, and the same is
hereby abated, and it is further Ordered, that the said sum
be, and the same is hereby assessed upon Nathan Matthews
he being the owner of the estates.

Delano. Ordered: That the sum of
Seven dollars and twenty five cents assessed upon W. A. & G. W.
Delano for cost of abating a nuisance on Liverpool and Decatur
Streets, be and the same is hereby abated, the same having
been improperly assessed.

Com. Petition The committee on Cemeteries
for savings. to whom was referred the petition of the Provident Institution

on Savings, for leave to extend their building over a portion of the Chapel Burying Ground, respectfully report, that while said subject was under consideration the petitioner asked leave to withdraw their said petition, in view of which fact, your Committee report that no further action is necessary thereon. For the Committee, Benjamin Seaver, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Adjourned to Saturday next at 10½ o'Clock, A.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Friday the Twenty third day of December A.D. 1853

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen Cary, James and Frost.

Petition of William R. Brown for leave to give a Concert at the Music Hall on December 26. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. — Brown

On the petition of Joseph Burnett for leave to enlarge his cellar window, the Committee on Paving reported in favor of allowing the petitioner to place a wooden or iron door with points, as an addition to his cellar window. Read & accepted. — Burnett

The Joint Special Committee appointed to consider whether there was any violation of contract in an order passed by the City Council October 27. 1853. — Police Court. Justices' Salary

Dec 23. 1853

Ordinary in order passed on the 4th day of June 1851. whereby the sum of Five hundred dollars a year was directed to be paid to the Senior Justice of the Police Court, have attended to their duty and beg leave to Report:- The question submitted to your Committee is whether by the passage of the above mentioned order there is any violation of contract between the City of Boston, and the Senior Justice of the Police Court. Your Committee upon a full examination of the various Acts of the Legislature and Ordinances of the City of Boston, relating to "Truant Children and Absentees from School" are clearly of opinion that the original Act of the Legislature and the Ordinance of the City of Boston passed A. D. 1850. founded upon said Act giving jurisdiction to the Senior Justice of the Police Court, to act under said laws, was an original and exclusive jurisdiction, vested in said Justice. But the Act of the Legislature passed in the year 1853. giving to the City of Boston power by Ordinance to give jurisdiction to the Justices of the Police Court in offences arising under said Truant laws and the Ordinances thereupon giving jurisdiction to said Justices;- raises the following question, viz: Was the giving of said jurisdiction to said Justices of the Police Court a transfer of the jurisdiction vested in the Senior Justice of said Court;- or was it merely a concurrent jurisdiction? Your Committee would entertain but little doubt, in case said jurisdiction was so transferred, that such transfer would be virtually a repeal of the former Ordinance, so far as the same appertained to the Senior Justice of the Police Court aforesaid. Find that upon said change of jurisdiction from said Senior Justice to the Justices of the Police Court, the consideration upon which it was ordered to pay to the Senior Justice as aforesaid the.

sum of five hundred dollars per annum would no longer exist ; &c.
on that the passage of the order referred to them would be there- Dec. 23. 1853.
fore no violation of contract. But regarding the jurisdiction given
to the Justices of the Police Court as merely concurrent with that
given to the Senior Justice of said Court, raises a question in the
minds of your Committee in reference to the legal effect of the pass-
age of the order referred to them, that they are not fully able to
determine. Your Committee would therefore for the purpose of quiet-
ing and settling the question of jurisdiction recommend the
passage of the accompanying ordinance, and also the accompa-
nying order. For the Committee, Lucius F. Hind. In Common Coun-
cil, Read, accepted and the Ordinance passed. Came up for con-
currence. Read and concurred.

Ordered: That the City Treasurer Rogers
be directed to pay to John Gray Rogers, Esq. Senior Justice of the Police order to pay.
Court, the sum of Two hundred and fifty dollars in full for Serv-
ice rendered under the ordinance of the City of Boston concern-
ing Truant Children and Absentees from School," up to the time of
the repeal of such much of said Ordinance, as gave jurisdiction
to the "Senior Justice of said Police Court, and that the same be
charged to the appropriation on Salaries. Passed in Common
Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred

Adjourned to Saturday next, (tomorrow) at 10½ o'Clock A.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Saturday the Twenty fourth day of December, Anno Domini, 1853.

Present,

The Mayor, Aldermen Frost, Reed, Whiting, White, and Rich.

Sanford. Communication of Samuel Sanford respecting the damage done to his estate in Atkinson Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

People's Ferry The Board then proceeded to East Boston, as per assignment, to visit the property known as Cunningham's Wharf, which has recently been taken by the People's Ferry Company for the purposes of their Ferry, and having examined the premises, Aldermen Whiting, White and James were appointed a sub-committee to report a proper estimate of the value of said property thus taken for the purposes of the People's Ferry.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the Twenty Sixth day of December, Anno Domini, 1853.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Farrington Petition of Farrington and Hunnewell, and others, that a lamp may be placed and

lighted in Olive Place. Referred to the Committee on Lamps. 783.

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Petition of C. P. Sanborn & others
to be paid for damages sustained by reason of the change of grade
in Water Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving

Petition of James Wight for leave to move a wooden building from Tremont to Berry Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving with full power

Petition of G. C. Batchelder for leave to hire a piece of land belonging to the City at the foot of Poplar Street. Referred to the Board of Public Land Commissioners with full power. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred December 29.

Petition of George Packer for leave to withdraw his name as bondsman of Benjamin True lately appointed a Constable. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Communication from Silas Warren tendering his resignation as one of the officers appointed to look after Truant Children and Absentees from School, to take effect from and after the first day of January next, was read and accepted by the Board.

Petition of the First Baptist Church that the assessment paid for entrance into the Common Sewer in Somerset Street may be refunded. Referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains.

Harrington

On the petition of Ephraim Harrington and others to be paid for land taken from them in Church Street, the Committee on Streets reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Hillman-
Howe-
Donnelly-
Fernald.

On the several petitions of George Hillman and others respecting the avenue leading from Prince Street to Sheafe Street- of S. G. Howe concerning the damage sustained by a change of grade in the "Old Road", so called- of Mary Donnelly and others to be compensated for the damage sustained from the change of grade in Thaxter Avenue and Northampton Street- and of Maria Fernald for damages occasioned by a change of grade in Fourth Street & G. Street- the Committee on Paving reported a reference of said matters to the next Board of Mayor and Aldermen.

Tibbetts
Costigan-
Hathorne.

On the petitions of Sarah A. Tibbetts to be compensated for damage occasioned by the change of grade in Lexington Street- of Laurence Costigan for leave to lower a portion of the sidewalk in Atkinson Street, and of J. H. Hathorne and others that a plank sidewalk may be laid on the corner of East Canton and Washington Streets: the Committee on Paving reported that the petitioners, severally, have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Brown

Leave was granted to William R. Brown to give a Concert at the Music Hall, Dec. 26 instant.

No person appearing to object 785.
to the proposed widening of Beverly Road by taking land of Nahd Dec. 26. 1853.
Perkins and others, said subject was recommitted to the com- Beverly Road.
mittee on Streets with full power.

On the petition of the Boston Boston
& Maine Rail Road Company, that the order of the Board respecting & Maine
their motive power may be suspended, the committee of the Rail Road.
whole Board, through the Mayor, reported, that, after a careful
consideration of the subject, they recommend that the petitioners
have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Resolved, That the safety Salem
and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Street
Salem street should be widened and for that purpose it is Veazie
necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the
said City, a parcel of land belonging to Joseph Veazie bounded
as follows, viz: Beginning at the southwesterly corner of the
said land being the northwesterly corner of land heretofore taken
from the said Veazie to widen Salem Street; thence northeast-
wardly, bounded by the said land taken from Veazie, six feet
and one hundredth of a foot; thence northwardly, by Salem Street,
thirteen feet and ninety five hundredths of a foot; thence west-
wardly, in the direction of the northerly line of Carroll Place,
five feet and ninety hundredths of a foot, to the northerly corner
of Carroll Place and Salem Street; and thence Southwardly
along the proposed line of widening of Salem Street thirteen feet
and ninety five hundredths of a foot, to the point of beginning;
containing eighty three square feet more or less. And whereas
due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to

;'86. take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as ap-
Dec. 26. 1853. pears by the return hereunto annexed; It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said widening made by E. S. Chesbrough, City Engineer, dated October 10th 1853. and deposited in the office of the said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board doth [illegible] That the expense of widening the said Salem Street, as aforesaid, will amount to three hundred dollars; which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars.

Police Court rooms.

The Special Committee of this Board to whom was referred the order concerning the expediency of removing the Police Court rooms from the Suffolk County Court House to the [illegible] Salem Street, with authority to report a plan and estimates, and to whom was also referred the remonstrance of Rufus Choate and others against the measure proposed, reported at length in favor of that measure, and offered a plan and specifications for the erection of a suitable building for the purpose, within the precinct of the New Jail [illegible] and recommended the passage of an order that said Committee cause such building to be erected, according to said plan, at an expense not exceeding Thirty four thousand dollars. Said on the table and ordered to be printed. (See City Document No. 83.)

Appropriations.

A communication from the Auditor of Accounts, stating that additions are needed to the ap-

propriations for Common, Paving and Bridges. Referred to the Committee on Finance in concurrence.

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Ordered: That the Salary of the City Clerk is four thousand dollars a year to be computed from the thirtieth day of April last, and that the same amount be allowed him for clerk hire as is now allowed by previous orders of the City Council and that the same is charged to Incidental Expenses and Miscellaneous Claims. Passed unanimously in the Common Council. Came up for concurrence. The Yeas and Nays being required were taken as follows. Yeas. The Mayor, Aldermen Draper, Ames, Reed, Rich, Whiting, Cary, White, and Frost. 9. Nays. 0. So the said order passed unanimously in concurrence.

City Clerks salary.

Petition of Henry S. Washburn for leave to take Cochituate Water at his Iron Works on Dorchester Avenue. Referred to the Committee on Water in concurrence.

Washburn

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be directed to cause Gas Fixtures to be placed in the several Ward Rooms and the expense to be charged to the appropriation for Public Buildings. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Ward Rooms Gas fixtures.

Ordered: That there be paid to Elijah Sagin the sum of One hundred dollars for and in consideration of his releasing to the City of Boston all claims for damages to buildings and occupants, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all claims, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that

Sagin.

780. the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and
Dec. 26 1853. widening Streets.

On motion of Alderman James
Taxes the Schedule of Property leased by the Committee on Public Build-
ings for 1853. was taken from the table and the leases therein con-
tained were approved by the Board, as follows.

Property.	To whom leased.		Annual rent.	Termination of Leases.
Old State House.	Union Mutual Fire Ins. Co.		800	April 1st 1856
	Peoples Mutual Ins. Co.		1000	April 1st 1856.
	Atlas Office		600	April 1st 1856.
Court House	Charles Smith	room in basement	200	July 1st 1856.
Old State House	Chas A. Smith		2025	April 1st 1856.
	George W. Minns		150	April 1st 1856
	James Egan		125	April 1st 1856
	Geo. M. Bourne		125	April 1st 1856
	Daniel Granger		100	April 1st 1856
	Browne & Lawrence		2400	April 1st 1856
"Bridge Estate" Court St.	Samuel D. Bates		1200	Sep. 1st 1856
	Total		$ 8.825	

Causeway Street. Ordered: That the Chief of
Police be directed to have the openings in the sidewalk on Cause-
way Street near Leverett Street, westerly side, closed forthwith.

Lawrence Atkinson Street. Ordered: That there be paid to
Abbott Lawrence the sum of Thirty two hundred and fifteen 30/100
Dollars for land taken to widen Atkinson Street, upon his giving
to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and dis-
charge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of

said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropria- 789.
tion for laying out and widening Streets. Dec. 26. 1853.

Ordered: That there be
paid to William F. Ells the sum of Two thousand Dollars for Ells.
land taken to lay out a new Street, from May to Myrtle Streets,
upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquit-
tance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in con-
sequence of said taking and that the same be charged to
the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets.

Whereas Samuel A. Way has Way.
given notice to this Board of his intention to erect build- Cove Street.
ings on Cove Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of
the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants re-
quire that the said Street should be widened at the place
described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered,
That due notice be given to the said Samuel A. Way that
this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned by
taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as
aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Street and
that Thursday the Twenty ninth day of December instant
at 12 o'clock, M., is assigned as the time for hearing any
objections which may be made thereto.

Whereas William O. Pierce Pierce
has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect build- Federal
ings on Federal and Franklin Streets, in the said City; & Franklin Sts.
and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and conveni-
ence of the inhabitants require that the said Streets should be
widened in the place described in the said notice, it is therefore

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hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Pierce that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street_ and that Thursday, the twenty ninth day of December instant, at 12 o'Clock, M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Eastern Rail Road

The Committee of this Board sitting as County Commissioners for Suffolk County, to which were referred sundry petitions of the Eastern Rail Road and the Boston and Lowell Rail Road asking this Board to assess the damages sustained by the owners of land on Canal and Friend Streets occasioned by the location of the said Rail Roads south of Causeway Street_ with instructions to report their estimates of the same_ Report: That the petitioners have from time to time informed the Committee that there was some prospect of arrangements being made which would relieve the Board from the performance of this duty_ From these suggestions the Committee have postponed the performance of this duty to the present time. And believing that no necessity of executing the order during the present year will arise we recommend that said petitions with the accompanying papers be referred to the next Board of Mayor and Aldermen. For the Committee, Oliver Frost, Chairman. Read and laid on the table.

Fire Alarms. Timepieces. Horsford. Magnetic Clock

The Joint Standing Committee on Telegraphic Fire Alarms, to whom was referred the Communication of Professor Horsford, proposing a plan for the regulation of Timepieces [illegible] by means of Electricity placed upon the Cupola of the State House, the same to be con

nected with the Magnetic Clock in the Fire Alarm Office, hav- 791
ing considered the subject carefully, report: The committee are
certain no doubt of the practicability of giving the exact time
once in 24 hours in the manner proposed by Prof. Horsford, but
they are of the opinion that comparatively few of our citizens
would be benefitted by signalizing a particular hour of the day
at the point named and that it is hardly expedient to make
a proposed experiment. Should the City Council consider it
it advisable to regulate the time for the City, by means of the Mag-
netic Clock and Compensating Pendulum in the Fire Alarm Office,
it appears to the Committee that much the best way, and the one
calculated to secure the greatest good to the greatest number, would
be to make the proper connection between the Magnetic Clock, and
the Clocks on our church towers and public buildings, by means of
which not a single hour, but every hour of the day could be noted
with perfect accuracy. For the purpose of ascertaining the feasibil-
ity and expense of such a system the Committee have consulted
with Mr. Farmer, our intelligent Superintendent of Fire Alarms,
who has furnished them with a plan in detail, embracing all
the Public Clocks in the City proper; viz., 10 with striking apparatus
and 2 without. By this plan all sections of the City proper would
be furnished with uniform and absolute time at all hours.
The entire expense of such an arrangement is estimated at
$4,826.39, from which should be deducted whatever sum might
be received from the sale of Clocks now in use, when Electric Clocks
are substituted. The Committee are strongly impressed with
the belief that much or all would still be the public gain
having all the Clocks on our church towers and public edi
fices driven by the swing of one pendulum, each indicating

at all hours the exact time. And they respectfully recommend that the capabilities of the Magnetic Clock for this purpose be tested by causing the necessary apparatus to be placed on the eastern end of the Old State House. The expense of such an apparatus including a new bell with everything complete is estimated at $900. There are few, if any points, from which the communication of accurate time at all hours would be a convenience to so large a number of active business men of all classes. The committee herewith submit the plan and estimates of Mr. Farmer, together with communications from Doctors N. A. Hayes and William F. Channing, relating to the same subject, and they herewith offer an order in accordance with the foregoing recommendation. Respectfully submitted. For the Committee, J. Rogers, Chairman. Ordered:- That the Superintendent of Fire Alarms be and he is hereby authorized, under the direction of the Joint Standing Committee on that subject, to cause to be placed on the Old State House, a new bell, with all the machinery and apparatus necessary to test the capability and correctness of the Magnetic Clock in the Fire Alarm Office, the expense thereof not to exceed the sum of Nine hundred and fifty dollars, to be charged to the appropriation for Bells and Clocks. Read and laid on the table.

Magnetic Clock.

(See page 816)

Emery. Harvard St:

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred the petition of F. W. R. Emery and others that Harvard Street be opened and graded from Sea Street to South Street; and also the petition of Geo. C. Thacher and others that a street may be opened from Sea Street to South Street;- Report: The Committee have visited the premises and given the petitioners a hearing and have availed themselves of other means

Thacher New Street.

of information as far as are consistent with other duties. It ap- Dec. 26. 1853.
pears that Harvard Street, between South and Sea Streets, was
never accepted by the City, but was closed and converted to pri-
vate purposes several years ago; and the Committee have been
informed by the President of the Old Colony Rail Road that that
Corporation received from the South Cove Company a warrantee
deed of that part of the street occupied by them. Under these cir-
cumstances the Committee suppose the legal right of the City to
open the street very questionable - but admitting that the City had
the right, the expediency of exercising it would be doubtful on
account of the danger of crossing the said road at this place.
If the Committee was prepared to recommend a Street at any
place leading from Sea to South Street, it would be a street com-
mencing South of the Gasometer, and opening into South Street
somewhat north of its junction with Lehigh Street. To this there
would be some serious objection. It would be necessary to cross
the Old Colony Rail Road at grade, which would be a dangerous
crossing, and against which it is understood that that Corpo-
ration would most strenuously remonstrate. The opening of the
road would also be [illegible] very costly to the City unless the
parties interested should make some proposition by which this
expense might be very much reduced. No proposition has been
received from any party except one from the Treasurer of the Gas
Company, which accompanies this report. The Committee are
disposed to think that if a street is laid out, it would add greatly
to the value of private property, and that much of the expense
should be paid by individuals whose property is increased in
value. The fact that there is now no public Street from Sea to
South Street, between Kneeland Street and the bridge, a distance

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of about 1000 feet, is a strong argument in favor of the prayer of the petitioners. In conclusion the Committee would recommend that the subject be referred to the next Board of Mayor and Aldermen. For the Committee, Sampson Reed, Chairman. Read accepted.

Public Lands

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred the communication of the Superintendent of Public Lands respecting the laying out of two new passage ways from Springfield Street to Worcester Street, reported the following order;- Ordered: That the two passage ways, recently laid out by the Board of Public Land Commissioners, each fifteen feet in width, running from Springfield Street to Worcester Street, and adjoining the lot of land recently sold to the Boston Lying in Hospital Corporation, be, and the same are hereby approved, and dedicated to public use as ways of the City of Boston. Read, accepted and the order passed.

Daily & Hendley

The Joint Standing Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Uriah J. Daily and Otis N. Hendley, to be compensated for loss of horse and injury to carriage by being run into by a fire engine, have duly considered the same, and heard the parties and their evidence, as well as the testimony of several members of the Fire Department, and respectfully Report, From all the evidence that has been presented to the Committee, it does not appear that any person in the employment of the City was guilty of negligence or want of care, in relation to the accident mentioned by the petitioners, or was instrumental in occasioning the same; and it appears that if any one was in fault, it must have been the driver employed by the petitioners. The Committee

therefore are of the opinion that the petitioners have no just claim against the City for compensation; and they would recommend that they have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Sampson Reed, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Dec. 29.

First Street.
Second Street.
20 ft. Streets.

The Committee on laying out and widening Streets, to whom was referred the subject of removing the buildings and other obstructions which project over the lines of First and Second Streets, and of several twenty feet ways which have not been accepted by the City at South Boston respectfully Report: In regard to the rights of the City in First Street, the Committee would state, that they are now the subject of litigation, and therefore it will be inexpedient to take any action in relation to the lines of the said Street, until the questions in controversy shall be judicially settled. In relation to the twenty feet ways, it is sufficient to say that none of them have been accepted by the City as public streets, and therefore it is not expedient to take any action in relation to them. The Committee find that Patrick J. Slane has encroached upon Second Street, and they recommend that the subject be referred to the next Board of Mayor and Aldermen, in order that the proper action may be taken taken thereon. For the Committee, Sampson Reed, Chairman. Read and accepted.

First
Granite
Richardson

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred the petition of J. D. Richardson and others, that First Street may be extended in a southerly direction, respectfully [illegible] that due notice has been given to the several parties who own the land over which it is proposed to extend the street, of the intention of this Board to lay out the same. The Committee

petition upon that they request the proprietors of the land to
Dec 21 1863 make to the Board a written statement of what they proposed
to do on their part, in case the Street was laid out, prior to the
final action of the Board in the matter, as the basis of this
action. No such proposition having been received, the committee
do not think it expedient to take any further action in the mat-
ter at the present time, but recommend that the petition subsid
be referred to the next Board of Mayor and Aldermen. For the
committee, Sumpson Reed, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Reed
Read Wed

The committee on Streets to whom
was referred the petition of Timothy C. Reed and others owners of
estate on the westerly side of Reed Street relative to the sidewalk,
respectfully Report: The committee find by the records, that a
similar petition was presented in the year 1856, which was re-
ferred to the committee on Paving, and this committee reported
same to Mayor, which report was accepted. The circumstances
of the case, however, are quite peculiar. It appears by the statement
of the petitioners, which is corroborated by the statement of others
as far as the committee have had an opportunity of inquiring,
that the buildings on the westerly side of Reed Street were set
back by the proprietors from the line of the street numbered with
sidewalk, a portion of which was their property. It further ap-
pears that the Mayor and Aldermen, on a petition of the
proprietors of the buildings on the other side of the street, as
the committee have been informed, cut off that part of the
sidewalk on the westerly side which belonged to the City and that
the sidewalk as it now remains is all of it, or nearly all, private
property. It is evident that the petitioners cannot close the sidewalk

without injuring themselves more than any other party, and looking 799
merely at the pecuniary interests of the City the committee would Dec 26. 1853
be led to recommend that they have leave to withdraw. But they
think that equity and usage might lead to a different conclusion.
The committee are not aware of any other accepted street where
the sidewalks do not belong to the City, as to land so much of them
as is required for the public convenience; and they would
recommend that so much of the sidewalk as the public con-
venience requires should be taken and laid out as a street,
if it can be done at a cost to the City, which under all the cir-
cumstances would seem reasonable. The buildings were originally
set back by the proprietors for their own convenience and bene-
fit, and there is no reason to doubt that their property is more val-
uable than it would have been otherwise, even if they should realize
nothing for the sidewalk. The committee have also been in-
formed, though they are not sure that the information is correct,
that the land was sold on the condition that the buildings should
be set back. They have not therefore thought it reasonable, that
the proprietors should be paid for that part of the sidewalk de-
manded for the public convenience, the full value of the land
in the street but have regarded it as a fair case for a compro-
mise. In regarding it, they named a sum to one of the petitioners,
which they would recommend to the Board to be paid, in case
the petitioners agreed to it. Not having heard from them since,
in relation to the matter, the committee recommend that the
petition be referred to the next Board of Mayor and Aldermen.
For the Committee, Sampson Reed, Chairman. Read and accepted.

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Revd
Reorgd &
Baptist Soc'ty

The Joint Standing Committee on the Treasury Department, to whom was referred the petition of Asa Knell, Treasurer of the Reorgd Wind Baptist Society, praying the repeal of the act Treasurer to receipt his tax bill without cost having inquired into the facts of the case, find that it was the petitioner's own bill, (and not that of the Society) on which extra charges were incurred: that said charges were incurred by the petitioner's own neglect and that therefore he should have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, J. Sleeper, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, Dec 29.

Sudbury
Sewer

Whereas, pursuant to an Order of this Board, passed on the 30th day of May 1853. public notice thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer has been constructed in Sudbury Street the cost of which was Nine hundred and Seventy five Dollars and twelve cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains Seven hundred and thirty one dollars $\frac{34}{100}$ to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: It is therefore, Ordered, that the persons named in the Schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees

Miller

The Committee on the Assessors Department to whom were referred the petitions of Caroline Miller, and of Charles E. Miller severally for abatement of their taxes as=

dered in Boston, Report: That, being satisfied that the petitioners 799.
are residents of Quincy and not of Boston they recommend the Dec. 26, 1853.
passage of the following order. For the Committee, J. Sloper, Chairman.
Ordered: That the sum of One hundred and fifty three dollars
be abated from the tax assessed upon Charles E. Miller for 1853.- and
that the sum of One hundred and twenty nine 79/100 dollars be
abated from the tax assessed upon Caroline Miller for 1853.- said
amounts being illegally assessed. Read, accepted and the order
passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Dec. 29.

The Joint Standing Committee Boston
on Water to whom was referred the petition of the Boston and Maine & Maine
Rail Road Company, for leave to take a supply of water in Charles- Rail Road.
town for the use of their Locomotive Engines, have attended to the
duty and submit the following Report: The Committee would
state, that the Boston and Maine Rail Road Company are now
receiving the supply of water for their Engines from a Hydrant
on or near Haverhill Street and are paying at the city water
rate of ____. In order to prevent by the action of the Mayor
and Aldermen to prohibit their engines from crossing Causeway
Street on and after January 1. 1854. it will be necessary for them
to obtain a supply of water for their engines north of Causeway
Street. The petitioners state that it will be much more conveni-
ent for the Company to receive the supply for their engines in Charles-
town, at or near their engine house, and as the quantity requir-
ed will be the same as if supplied in Boston, the Committee
would therefore recommend to the City Council the adoption of the
following order. For the Committee, Thomas Sprague. Ordered: That
the Cochituate Water Board be, and hereby are, authorized, should

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they deem it expedient, to make arrangements and contract with the Boston and Maine Rail Road Company, to supply their Locomotive Engines with water in Charlestown; under such restrictions and conditions as the Board may prescribe. In Common Council. Read, accepted and the order passed. Came up for concurrence. Read and accepted

Juvego Ch'd. Primary School House

The Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred the accompanying order for the purchase of land in Juvego Street adjacent to the Primary School House on Genesee Street, beg leave to report;- that they have duly considered the subject, and find it very desirable that the City should be possessed of the parcel of land referred to, and unanimously recommend the adoption of the order. Benjamin Jones Chairman. Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be authorized to purchase 2700 feet of land on Juvego Street, in the rear of the Primary School House on Genesee Street, for the purpose of enlarging the yard of the School House, at a price not exceeding twenty three hundred and sixty three dollars, and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Primary School Houses. In Common Council. Read, accepted and the order passed. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Witness fees in Police Court.

Ordered: That the Justices of the Police Court be and they are hereby authorized to appoint a suitable person, who shall pay the fees of Witnesses and Officers in said Court in each case as soon as said case is disposed of. He shall receive the sum of $500. say Five hundred dollars per annum, payable quarterly, as compensation for his services, and he shall give bond in the sum of One thousand dollars

with sureties to the satisfaction of the City Treasurer for the faith- 801.
ful performance of his said duties; And the Clerk of the Police Dec. 26. 1853
Court is hereby directed to pay over to the person so appointed, at such
times as he shall request, for the above named purpose, any sums
in his hands received for fines or costs, and the receipt of such
person shall be vouchers for the Clerk. And said person, so appointed,
shall also render a quarterly account of his doings under this
order to the City Treasurer. If it should at any time be necessary
the City Treasurer is authorized to advance money from the Treas-
ury for the above purpose. Laid on the table.

Alderman Whiting presented Smith.
a bill for an inquest upon the body of Dennis Cronan, which Coroner.
the Committee on County Accounts reported allowed in the sum
of ons therefore, which was ordered to be placed on file.

On motion of Alderman Rich, Marginal
the Board reconsidered the vote whereby the Superintendent of Street.
Streets was directed to grade Marginal Street, (as recorded on
page 772.) and he offered a new order touching that subject,
which after a short discussion was laid upon the table. (See page 819.)

On motion of Alderman Whiting City
the communication of the City Physician concerning a sanitary Physician.
visitation of the City in view of the approach of the Cholera (being Sanitary
City Document No. 79. was taken from the table and referred to Visit.
the Mayor with full power.

On motion of Alderman Eames, Conley
the report of the Committee on Public Lands on the petition of C. C.
Conley (being City Document No. 80.) was taken from the table, and

Sid [illegible] having been amended by adding
[illegible] the said Ord[illegible] following words" provided such action
should be deemed by the City Solicitor necessary to secure to any
purchaser or purchasers a valid title to said land," was passed by
the following vote.- Yeas- The Mayor, Aldermen Sleeper, James, Reed,
Rich, Whiting, Long, Hale and Ward 9 Nays 6. Ord[illegible] for concurrence
[illegible] concurred Lec'y

City Charter

Alderman Frost having called up from the table the resolves and order offered by him at the commencement of the Municipal Year respecting the revision of the city Charter, asked leave to withdraw the same, which was granted by the Board.

Byrnes constable.

His Honor the Mayor nominated to the Board P. D. Byrnes as a Constable of the City, but said nomination not being confirmed by the Board it was laid upon the table.

Votes- committee examine

Aldermen Whiting and James were appointed a committee to examine the returns of votes to be given [illegible] and 12 Aldermen, and on motion of Alderman Whiting the Board

Adjourned to Thursday next at 12 o'clock, M.
to hear the report of said Committee.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Thursday the Twenty ninth day of December, Anno Domini, 1853.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Lary and Ames.

Brooks. Petition of S. G. Brooks for leave to open the Eagle Theatre. Referred to the Committee on Licenses with full power.

Sanborn-Alden vacy. On the petitions of C. F. Sanborn and others to be paid for damages sustained by reason of the change of grade in Tuttle Street, of N. Alden and C. C. Perkins to be paid for labor and materials provided in Trull and Tuttle Streets, the Committee on Paving reported a reference of said subjects to the next Board of Mayor and Aldermen. Read and accepted.

Second hand articles. Caleb N. Metcalf was licensed as a dealer in Second hand articles at 360 Hanover Street.

Cove Street. No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Cove Street by taking land of Edmund Dana said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Washburn. The Joint Standing Committee on Water, to whom was referred the petition of Henry S. Washburn for the use of Cochituate Water at his iron and wire works, have attended to the duty assigned them and recommend that the subject matter be referred to the Cochituate Water Board. The Committee therefore recommend to the City Council the adoption of the

Sch. following order. For the Committee, Benjamin Seaver, Chairman.

Federal [illegible] are authorized, should they deem it expedient, to make arrange= ments and contract with Henry S. Washburn for the use of Co= initiate Water, at his iron and wire works, under such restrictions and condition as they may deem for the best interest of the City. Read, accepted and the order passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, Dec. 29.

Federal & Franklin Sts.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Federal and Franklin Streets by taking land of W. & P. Prince, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Beverly Street.

The Committee on laying out and widening Streets reported to the Board a resolve and order to widen Beverly Street, by taking land of Alfred Perkins and others: which was read and referred to the next Board of Mayor & Aldermen.

Packer

On the petition of George Packer for leave to withdraw his name as one of the bondsmen of Ben= jamin Thue, a Constable of the City, the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Criminals conveyance to & from Jail.

The Special Committee to whom was referred the communication of the Chief of Police and the Captain of the Watch respecting the mode of conveying criminals to and from the Jail, reported that the Chief of Police and Cap= tain of the Watch be authorized to furnish suitable accommo= dations for transportation of prisoners to and from Jail at an expense not exceeding twenty five cents for each & every prisoner so conveyed. Read and accepted.

The Report of Silas Warren, the gentleman appointed to look after Truant Children in the Southern District for the present quarter, was read and placed on file. Dec 29/1853 Truant Officer.

In the petition of the First Baptist Church that the assessment paid for entrance into the Common Sewer in Somerset Street may be refunded, the Committee on Sewers & Drains reported that the prayer of the petitioners be granted and that the following order. Passed. That for the reasons set forth in the petition of the First Baptist Church, in relation to an entry into the common sewer in Somerset Street, that there be refunded to them the sum of Fifty dollars, that being the amount paid by them, for the entrance into the common sewer in said street. Read, accepted and the order passed. First Baptist Church.

The Committee on Streets who were instructed to consider what action is necessary, if any, on the part of this Board to preserve the City's rights, in, and to the Streets, Lanes, Alleys, Squares and other Public places, in the City; and report to this Board, all perversions of public property to private uses, and the necessary means to be used to reclaim the same, respectfully Report:- It will be observed that the order is very general in its requirements, imposing an amount of labor on the Committee, which it was impossible for them to perform personally, without neglecting other public duties of a more urgent nature. They have therefore availed themselves of the services of Mr. Stephen P. Fuller, and beg leave to submit his statement in addition to the subject matter of their report. For the Committee, Sampson Reed, Chairman. Accepted and ordered to be printed with the accompanying documents. (City Doc. No. 84. Encroachment on City's rights.

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Officers and office hours

who were instructed to consider whether any alterations are necessary, and if any what, in the ordinance entitled "Officers and office hours," respectfully report, that they have considered the subject committed to them, and have come to the conclusion, that it is inexpedient to recommend any change in the ordinance at the present time. For the Committee, Sampson Reed, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Federal Street - Lot Watling - Pearce.

Whereas, in the opinion of this Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Federal Street should be widened it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to A. G. Dorr and G. W. Watling, Trustees of Mrs. A. Child, and to S. H. Pearce tenant of the land herein referred to, that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a part of their land as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street - and that Monday, the ninth day of January next, at 4 o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Atkinson Street - Sanford

Whereas Samuel Sanford has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Atkinson Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Samuel Sanford, that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a

public Street and that Monday the ninth day of January next &c;
at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any Dec. 29. 1853.
objections which may be made thereto.

Resolved, That the safety and Federal
convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Federal Street Street.
should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and Pierce.
lay out as a public Street or way of the said City, a parcel of land
belonging to William T. Pierce bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at
the northeasterly corner of the said land being the southern corner
of Franklin and Federal Streets; thence running westwardly, bound-
ed by Franklin Street [illegible] one hundredths of a foot;
thence southwardly, along the proposed line of widening of Federal
Street being a line drawn straight from the northerly corner of the
said Street to the southerly corner of Federal Street and Federal
Court) sixty two feet and sixty four hundredths of a foot; thence east-
wardly, by land of the said four feet and forty two hundredth of
a foot; and thence northwardly, by Federal Street, on an irregular
line sixty two feet and sixty [illegible] hundredths of a foot, to the point
of beginning; containing three hundred and ninety seven
square feet, and seven hundredths of a square foot, more or
less. Also another parcel belonging to the said Pierce, contained
between the said line of widening the line [illegible] and
on which this day adopted by an order of this Board, and curve
of seven feet radius to which the said line of Widening is tan-
gent; and containing nine square feet, and twenty hundredths
of a square foot more or less. And Whereas due notice has been
given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of
land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereun-
to annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before

Sees described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a
Dec. 29 1853 public street or way of the said City according to a plan of the
said widening made by E. S. Chesbrough dated Dec. 28 1853 and
deposited in the office of the said Mayor and Aldermen. And
this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said
Federal Street, as aforesaid, will amount to Thirty one hundred
dollars: which sum together with the amount of damages for
previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during
the present municipal year does not exceed the sum of five
thousand dollars.

Franklin Street Place. Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Franklin Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to William P. Pierce bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the northeasterly corner of the said land, at the point where the line of widening of Federal Street, as hereby adopted by an order of this Board, meets the [illegible] line of Franklin Street; thence running westwardly, bounded by Franklin Street one hundred and sixteen feet and forty four hundredths of a foot; thence southwardly, by land of the Roman Catholic Church one foot and seven hundredths of a foot; thence eastwardly, along the proposed line of widening of Franklin Street, (being at this point, and distant sixty feet southwardly from the present northerly line thereof,) one hundred and sixteen feet, and seventy three hundredths of a foot; and thence northwardly, along the said line of widening of Federal Street, eight feet and eighty four hundredths of a foot, to the point of beginning; containing five hundred &

seventy eight square feet, and forty six hundredths of a square 809
feet, more or less. And Whereas due notice has been given of the Dec. 9, 1853.
intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the pur-
pose aforesaid as appears by the return hereunto annexed. It is
therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land herein described is, and
the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or
way of the said City according to a plan of the said widening
made by E. S. Chestrough dated Dec. 28, 1853. and deposited in
the office of the said Mayor and Aldermen. And this Board
doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Franklin
Street, as aforesaid, will amount to forty four hundred dol-
lars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of
previous alterations or discontinuance in said street, during
the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thous-
and dollars.

Ordered: That the new street Perry
laid out by order of the City Council passed on the twenty second
day of December instant, from Washington Street to Harrison
Avenue, be called and known by the name of Perry Street.

The Committee on Ordinances Steam Engines
to whom was referred an order authorizing them to report an & Furnaces
Ordinance upon Steam Engines & Furnaces, recommend
that the same be referred to the next City Council. For the Com-
mittee, Sampson Reed, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down
for concurrence. Came up concurred Dec. 29.

Ordered, That there be paid Bangs
to William H. Bangs the sum of Three hundred and eighty five Ferry Street

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Dollars for land to lay out a new Street, from Washington Street to Harrison Avenue upon his giving to the City a deed for the same, [illegible] and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets.

Thayer
Ferry Street.

Ordered: That there be paid to George W. Thayer the sum of Nine thousand and five 62/100 Dollars for land taken to lay out a new Street, from Washington Street to Harrison Avenue, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets.

Hale
Ferry Street.

Ordered; That there be paid to Theodore P. Hale the sum of Three hundred and eighty five Dollars for land taken to lay out a new Street from Washington Street to Harrison Avenue, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets.

Crowell
Ferry Street.

Ordered: That there be paid to Nathan Crowell the sum of Three hundred and eighty five Dollars for land taken to lay out a new Street, from Washington Street to Harrison Avenue, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets.

Ordered: That there be paid 811.
to Ebenezer Howes the sum of Three hundred and eighty five dol- Dec. 29. 1853.
lars for land taken to lay out a new Street from Washington Street Howes.
to Harrison Avenue, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the Perry Street.
same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs &
expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be
charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets.

Ordered: That there be paid to Bacon.
John T. Bacon the sum of Three hundred and eighty five Dollars
for land taken to lay out a new Street, from Washington Street
to Harrison Avenue, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the
same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs
and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the
same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widen-
ing Streets.

Ordered: That there be paid to Hersey
Cornelius Hersey the sum of Three hundred and eighty five Dollars Perry Street
for land taken to lay out a new Street, from Washington Street
to Harrison Avenue, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the
same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs
and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the
same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widen-
ing Streets

Ordered: That there be paid Chipman
to Walter Chipman the sum of Three hundred and eighty five Perry Street.
Dollars for land taken to lay out a new Street from Washington
Street to Harrison Avenue, upon his giving to the City a Deed
for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all dam-

822. ages with and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets.

Lands Comt. Ordered: That the Committee on Public Lands be authorized to complete, on behalf of the City, the purchase of a Lot on the Ad lanying ground on Dorchester Road at South Boston, for which they have contracted, the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for Public Lands. Passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Dec. 29.

Boston Harbor. The Joint Special Committee on Boston Harbor, to which was referred the report of the same committee for the year 1852. with the accompanying documents, together with sundry communications from the Boston Marine Society & others, in relation to Boston Harbor and its main ship channels, have carefully examined the same, and the several documents and papers accompanying the same, and Report: That the Committee for 1852. appear to have devoted much time to the subject, in their examinations; that all the varied interests connected with the Harbor of Boston, which necessarily involves the commercial interests of the City, have been carefully considered and ably studied. The appendix to the report contains much valuable information, embracing the results of scientific inquiry, practicable observation, and the legislation of the Commonwealth upon the subject - altogether forming a most valuable document for reference to all persons interested in the future prosperity and increase of the commerce of Boston. The Committee fully concur in the important suggestions embraced in that report, in relation to the means to be used for the preservation of the main ship chan

ral leading to the inner harbor. The Committee are impressed with the danger attending the channel which are fully and clearly set forth in that report; and they are also as deeply sensible to the importance of its preservation to the commerce of the City, as well as to the naval Station of the United States at Charlestown. The practical experience of our Branch pilots, some of whom can go back more than a quarter of a century and give minute accounts of the various changes of the soundings, channels, headlands, spits, bar and shoals; and old, experienced shipmasters all unite in the opinion that unless the main headlands which surround the inner harbor, and are exposed to the violent action of the Sea, shall soon be protected from further abrasion, and the Islands and shores within the Harbor be protected from depredation, and the removal of stones and gravel for ballast and other purposes, be prohibited_ our main ship channels to the open Sea must soon become too contracted and too shoal for the safe passage of the large class of merchant ships now employed in the commerce of this and other commercial cities. The Committee therefore recommend the acceptance of the Report, and the adoption of the following Orders For the Committee, Oliver Frost._ Ordered: That his Honor the Mayor, in behalf of the City, be, & he is hereby directed to present to the Congress of the United States at its present session, a Memorial in relation to the present and prospective condition of the Harbor of Boston, and its ship channels to the ocean; and to ask for an appropriation of money sufficient to complete the Sea-wall around Great Brewster Island, according to the plan presented by Col. Thayer to the Engineer's Department at Washington, and also for a similar wall to protect Long Island Island Head. Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor in behalf of the City, be and

814 he is hereby directed to present to the General Court of the Common-
Dec. 29. 1852. wealth, at its ensuing session, a memorial in relation to the present condition and future preservation of Boston Harbor, and to ask for legal authority to prohibit the owners of any islands, headlands, flats or beaches or other persons from taking away or removing therefrom, any stones, sand, earth or gravel for ballast or for other purposes, with suitable and reasonable provisions for its enforcement and penalties for its violation, and also for the establishment of harbor lines in South Bay and Mystic River. Ordered: That the City Solicitor, under the direction of the Committee on Boston Harbor, be directed to take the testimony of such experienced pilots and shipmasters, and other persons, whose observation and experience enable them to impart practical information or scientific observations and results, in relation to the various changes in the channels leading to the harbor of Boston, as he may deem necessary, and particularly to the precise ship channel between Gallop's and Lovell's Islands; and to furnish the same to the Committee on Boston Harbor, to be used before any committee of Congress or the General Court, in aid of the memorials hereinbefore named. Ordered: That a copy of the Report of the Harbor Committee be transmitted by the City Clerk to each member in Congress from this Commonwealth, and to the Chairmen of the committee on Commerce in the two Houses of the Senate and House of Representatives. Read, accepted and the orders passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred Dec. 29.

Eldredge. Ordered: That the thanks of the City Council be tendered to the Joint Standing Committee on Boston Harbor for 1852, and more particularly to E. H. Eldredge,

Esq. Chairman of said Committee on the part of the Common Coun- 815.
cil, for the said and railroad [illegible] and railroad location accu- Dec. 29, 1853
mulo accompanying the same in relation to the Harbor of Boston,
which he had received in the present city Government, in behalf of
said Committee. Ordered: That the City Clerk transmit a copy of
the above to Mr. Eldredge. Passed unanimously. Sent down for con
currence. Came up concurred unanimously.

The Joint Standing Committee Gavell.
on Water, to whom was referred the petition of Andrew J. Gavell to be
refunded certain Water Taxes, paid by him under protest, would state
to the City Council, that not having sufficient time during the
present year to investigate the subject matter, they would therefore
recommend that it be referred to the next City Council. For the Com
mittee, Benjamin Seaver, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down
for concurrence. Came up concurred, December 29.

The Joint Special Committee of Mount
the City Council, to whom was referred the petition of the Mount Washington
Washington Avenue Corporation, that the City would take measures Avenue.
to secure the street proposed to meet their Avenue, have duly con
sidered the subject, and report the accompanying Order. For the Com
mittee, Benjamin Seaver, Chairman. Whereas the Mount Washington
Avenue Corporation propose to construct a new bridge and avenue to
South Boston from some point between Wales' and Foundry Wharves,
as authorized by the terms of a charter granted by the Legislature
April 20, 1853, and whereas the said Corporation have petitioned
the City of Boston to lay out a new street to connect the said Aven-
ue and bridge on the westerly side of [illegible] street with

Sea Street, and whereas the City Council have heretofore passed
Dec 29 1853. a vote approving thereof:- Therefore, Ordered: That the Mayor be
authorized to execute in behalf of the city an agreement with the
said Corporation that the City will lay out and open a new Street
on the westerly side of Fore Point Channel to connect the said
bridge with Sea Street when the said Avenue and the said
bridge shall have been completed, or when the said bridge shall
have been completed and the said Corporation shall have given
security satisfactory to the Mayor and Aldermen that the said
Avenue shall be completed, provided that the amount to be paid
by the City shall not exceed the sum of Sixty thousand dollars.
Passed: Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Appropriations. The Committee on Finance to
whom was referred the communication of the Auditor of Ac-
counts dated 21st instant, reported an order- as follows, viz- Ordered:
That the Auditor of Accounts be authorized to make the following
transfers of existing appropriations, viz: From the Reserved Fund
to the appropriation for Common, Malls &c.- Thirty two hundred
dollars; From Unliquidated claims to Bridges Two five hundred
dollars. Passed: Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Horsford- Fire Alarms- Magnetic clock The report of the Joint Standing
Committee on Fire Alarms respecting an uniform method of
regulating Timepieces in the City was taken from the table, and on
motion of Alderman Sleeper, the order appended thereto, as recorded
on page 792. was passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up con-
curred.

Ordered: That there be paid to Dec^r. 9. 1853.

Wm. Deane the sum of Five Hundred dollars for damages in con- Deane.
sequence of the extension and raising the grade of London Street,
and the delay in making such extension and alterations and de-
mands in any way arising out of the same, upon his giving to the
City a release for the same, and an acquittance and discharge
for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of the same;
and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Unliquida-
ted Claims for Laying out and widening Streets.

Ordered: That there be paid to Luther-
Slade Luther and others the sum of One Hundred and twenty Beverly
six 35/100 Dollars for land taken to widen Beverly Street, then own- Street.
ed by Jacob S. Savage, upon their giving to the City a Deed for the
same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs
and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same
be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for lay-
ing out and widening Streets.

Ordered: That there be paid Whitney-
to Sarah S. Whitney the sum of Twenty three 30/100 Dollars for land Bedford
taken to widen Bedford Street upon her giving to the City a Deed street.
for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damag-
es, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the
same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated and widening
Streets.

On motion of Alderman Whit- Police Court-
ney the Order regulating the mode of payment of the fees of wit- Witness fees.
nesses in the Police Court by a person to be appointed for that pur-
pose, (as recorded on page 800) which was laid upon the table

ol the last meeting of the Board, was taken therefrom and adopt-

Dec 29. 1853. ed., (see page 825.)

Geo. W. Thayer - Council - Sale, Lucan, Chipman, Wm. Sands, Hersey

Whereas the City Council, by a Resolve passed the Twenty second day of December instant took a certain parcel of land, therein described, lying between Washington Street and Harrison Avenue, and laid out the same as a public street or way of said City, it is therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to Geo. W. Thayer, Nathan Cowell, Theodore P. Sale, Asa P. Lucas, Charles Sale, Chipman, William H. Sands, Ebenezer Sowers, and Cornelius Hersey, and all other persons interested as owners, proprietors, tenants, occupants, or otherwise, in said land that they cut off, pull down, remove and carry away all buildings, erections and obstructions of every sort standing on and projecting over the line of said street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, or, move and set back the same to the said line, and vacate and surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid on or before the Twentieth day of January now next ensuing. And in default thereof, the Chief of Police is hereby directed and empow- ered forthwith to enter upon said land and cause all buildings, erections and obstructions standing on and projecting over the line of said street as established by the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down removed and carried away, & to be moved and set back to said line, and the said land to be vacated and surrendered under the direction of the Committee on laying out and widening streets.

Myrtle Street

Ordered: That the new street laid out by this Board on the nineteenth day of December instant, between May and Myrtle street, be called Myrtle Street.

The Board having examined the returns of votes given in the several Wards on the 27th instant (being the election last preceding the first Monday of January 1854) for a Mayor and six Aldermen to complete the Board of Mayor and Aldermen for the ensuing year, it appeared that the returns were properly made and the votes correctly recorded in the book kept for that purpose from which it appears that the whole number of votes for Mayor was 12,168. Necessary for a choice, 6085. No person having the requisite number for the office of Mayor. City Dec. 29. 1853. Votes for Mayor.

The whole number of votes for Aldermen was 12131. Necessary for choice 6066. Josiah Dunham Jr. has 8003. William Washburn 6792. Benjamin L. Allen 6587. John J. Dingley 6114. and they alone appear to be chosen; leaving two vacancies in the Board. The City Clerk was directed to certify the foregoing result to the City Council of 1854. and he was ordered to notify the foregoing persons of their election. Votes for Aldermen.

On motion of Alderman Frost, the subject of laying out Marginal Street was taken from the table and he moved to amend the order passed on the ninth instant, (as recorded on page 772) by inserting at A. "and of the City Engineer" - and to strike out at B the words "provided the same be approved by the City Engineer" - which motion prevailed and the order as amended was passed. Marginal Street.

The Special Committee who were directed to consider the subject of the damages sustained by the owners of Cunningham's Wharf, by reason of the appropriation of a portion of said wharf by the People's Ferry Company, submitted the following as the judgement of the Board upon this sub- People's Ferry Company. Award of damages.

ject, which was adopted by the Board. On the petition of the Peoples Dec. 29. 1853. Ferry Company that this Board would estimate the damages sustained by William Bramhall and other owners of Cunningham's Wharf, so called, by reason of the petitioners taking a portion of said Wharf for the purposes of their said ferry; this Board having heard the several parties in relation thereto, and having viewed the premises in question do hereby adjudge and decide that the damages sustained by William Bramhall and other owners of said Wharf, by reason of the said taking as aforesaid, amount to Thirty seven thousand dollars.

Police. On nomination by the Mayor, Oliver Wilcomb, Edward H. Wellman, Patrick Winn and John H. Hyde were appointed on the Police. Patrick H. Harron was appointed on the Watch.

Watchman.

Capt of Watch. On nomination by the Mayor, William S. Eno was appointed Captain of the Watch, and John

Supt of Lamps. Seaver was appointed Superintendent of Lamps.

Adjourned to Friday (tomorrow) at 11 o'clock, A.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Friday the [illegible] day of December Anno Domini 1853

Present

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Curry.

and Drains report a reference of the petition of the Main through Dec. 30. 1853.
the property of the Liverpool Wharf Corporation to the Mayor and Liverpool
Aldermen. Read and accepted. Wharf Co.

Alderman Rich called up from Mechanic
the table the order to pay the Mechanic Infantry for rent of their Infantry.
Armory from 1847 to 1849. and the question being on the passage of
the same Ald Read concurred with the Common Council
in the passage of the same.

A communication was read Barry.
from the Mayor suggesting that an extra quarters salary be paid
Captain [illegible] City Sup't Engines and Assistant
tain of the Watch.

Report from Wm F. Reed the officer Injured
charged with the care of Injured Children in the Central District
was read and placed on file.

Alderman Rich offered the fol- Mount
lowing order_ Ordered: That if the Mount Washington Avenue Cor- Washington
poration now give their bond to the City in the sum of Twenty thou- Avenue.
and dollars, with the condition, to forfeit and pay to the City Twenty
thousand dollars if the Avenue from Fore Point Channel to I.
street in South Boston is not completed within the time limited
by their Charter, then said Bond will be accepted and considered
as satisfactory by the Mayor and Aldermen, under and according
to a vote of the City Council passed Dec. 29. 1853. Read Laid on the table.

On motion of Alderman Rich, Williams
the report on the petition of Aaron D. Williams respecting Hall St.

Dec 29 in Council Hall Marked, which was laid on the table December 12th
Dec. 30 1853 last, was taken therefrom and accepted by the Board.

Cove Street. The Committee on laying out and widening Streets to whom was recommitted the notice of intention to widen Cove Street, reported that the proposed widening is inexpedient and that no further action is necessary thereon. Read and accepted.

Public Lands The Report of the Superintendent of Public Lands showing the number of feet of land sold by the City during the present year was read and laid upon the table.

Adjourned to Saturday (tomorrow) at 10½ o'Clock, A.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Saturday the thirty first day of December, Anno Domini, 1853.

Present

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Alderman Leary.

Richardson Petition of Thomas Richardson to be compensated for damage done to his estate at the foot of Summer Street: read and referred to the next Board of Mayor & Aldermen.

Lease A lease of certain rooms in the Old State House to Charles A. Smith for three years from Dec. 30. 1853.

for the rent of $2025 per annum was approved by the Board. 823.

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The report of Nathaniel Seaver Truant
the officer having charge of Truants and absentees from School officer.
for the Northern District of the City; was read and laid on the table.

The Joint Special Committee to Lunatic
whom was referred the report of the Special Committee on Hospital
of the Mayor's address as relates to a new Lunatic Hospital, report-
ed a reference of the whole subject to the next City Council. Read
and accepted.

On nomination by the Mayor, Watch
Nathaniel Emerson and Edward J. Jones were appointed Constables Constables &c.
of the Watch in place of William K. Jones and John Seaver resigned.

On motion of Alderman White, the Streets
report of the Committee on Streets on petition of Timothy G. Speed
respecting the sidewalks in Pearl Street, was ordered to be printed.

The report of the Visitors of the Bos- Lunatic
ton Lunatic Hospital transmitting the Annual report of the Hospital
intendent of that Institution for 1853. Accepted in Common Council Rep. of Visitors
and ordered to be printed, came up for concurrence. Read & concurred.

An order that the Public Land Faneuil
Commissioners be requested to consider the expediency of disposing house sold &c.
of Faneuil Hall Market House and report thereon to the City Coun-
cil, was referred in Common Council to the next City Council.
came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

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Place - Federal & Franklin Sts.

Whereas this Board by Resolves passed the twenty ninth instant took certain pieces of land, therein described, lying on Federal and Franklin Streets and laid out the same as a public Road or way of said City, it is therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to William P. Pierce and all other persons interested as owners, proprietors, tenants, occupants, or otherwise, in said land that they cut off, pull down, remove and carry away all buildings, erections and obstructions standing on and projecting over the lines of said Federal and Franklin Streets as established by the Resolves aforesaid, or, move and set back the same to the said lines and vacate and surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid on or before the tenth day of February now next ensuing. And in default thereof, the Chief of Police is hereby directed and empowered forthwith to enter upon said land and cause all buildings, erections and obstructions standing on and projecting over the lines of said Federal and Franklin Streets as established by the Resolves aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down, removed and carried away, or to be moved and set back to said lines and the said land to be vacated and surrendered under the direction of the Committee on laying out and widening Streets.

Cove - Wm. Jenkins.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Cove Road should be widened and to that purpose it is necessary to take and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to W. F. Jenkins bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the westerly corner of the said land at the point where the boundary line between land of the said Jenkins and land of John Parsons, extended, meets the southeasterly line of Cove Street;

thence turning southeastwardly, in the direction of the said boun- 825.
dary line, four feet and eighteen hundredths of a foot; thence north- Dec 31, 1855.
erwardly along the proposed line of widening to the said point
of commencement, thirty eight feet and thirty hundredths of a foot;
thence northwestwardly, parallel to Lundy's Lane, three
feet and three hundredths of a foot, to the point of beginning, contain-
ing one hundred and fifty five square feet, more or less. - And
Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board
to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears
by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the par-
cel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and
laid out as a public street or way of the said City - according to a
plan of the said widening made by E. S. Chesbrough dated De-
cember 26th 1855 and deposited in the office of the City Engineer
and Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense
of widening the said Cove Road, as aforesaid, will amount to
three hundred dollars: which sum, together with the amount
of estimates of previous allowances & disbursements in said
street, during the present municipal year, will not exceed the
sum of five thousand dollars.

On motion of Alderman Whiting Police
the order which passed this Board on December 29th last, (as record- Court -
ed on page 800. 9817.) respecting the mode of paying the fees of wit- Witness fees.
nesses in the Police Court, was reconsidered, and the following
order was passed as a substitute therefore;- Ordered: That the County
Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to appoint a suitable person
to pay the fees of Witnesses and Jurors in said Court

Ord. in case as soon as said case is disposed of. He shall receive
Dec. 31. 1853. the sum of Five hundred dollars per annum payable quarterly,
as compensation for his services, and he shall give Bond in the
sum of One thousand dollars with sureties to the satisfaction of
the County Treasurer for the faithful performance of his said du-
ties. And the Clerk of the Police Court is hereby directed to pay over
to the person so appointed at such times as he shall request,
for the above named purpose, any sums in his hands received
for fines or costs, and the receipts of such person shall be vouch-
ers for the Clerk. And said person so appointed, shall also ren-
der a quarterly account of his doings under this order to the Coun-
ty Treasurer. If it should at any time be necessary, the County
Treasurer is authorized to advance money from the Treasury for
the above purpose.

Harbor Ordered: That such parts of the
Survey Report of the Committee on the Harbor for 1852, as relate to sys-
tematic and continued observation of the Harbor, and the chang-
es going on within it, under the direction of the City Engineer,
be referred to the next City Council, with the recommendation
that an ordinance be passed, defining the duties of the City
Engineer in relation to the Harbor, and that a sufficient ap-
propriation be made during the current municipal year for in-
crease of duty in the Engineer's department. Passed in Common
Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Trans- Ordered: That the Treasurer, un-
fer to City der the direction of the Committee on Finance, be authorized
Rail Road to borrow a sum of money not exceeding Eleven thousand dollars
to be applied to the settlement with the Old Colony Rail Road, on

the conditions named in the communication from the committee on 827.
Public Lands dated the 12th Instant;- and also an additional sum Dec. 31. 1853.
of One thousand dollars to be added to the appropriation for Public
Lands. Passed in Common Council.- Yeas, 33. Nays, 6. Came up for
concurrence. Read and concurred.- Yeas. The Mayor, Aldermen Sleep-
er, Jones, Reed, Rich, Whiting, White and Pratt. 8. Nays. none. For the
above communication from Committee on Public Lands see files of 1853.)

The Committee on Public Build- Primary
ings ask leave to report;- That under authority granted by order dated School House
November 7th they have purchased, for the sum of ($5850) Fifty eight and Lot.
hundred and fifty dollars, such part of the estate on Tyler Street, known
as the "Aqueduct Lot", as will be sufficient to erect thereon a Primary
School House of the same size as the one in Wall Street: Also, that
under authority of an order dated December 22d they have purchas-
ed the land on Sturgis Street in rear of the Genesee Street Primary
School House, for the sum of Twenty seven hundred dollars; and
have placed the papers relating to both the above parcels of land
in the hands of the City Solicitor for examination. For the Committee,
J. D. Roberts. Accepted in Common Council. Came up for concurrence.
Read and concurred.

The Committee on Finance to Harbor Police.
whom was referred the communication of the Mayor respecting
the establishment of the Harbor Police, reported as on file the fol-
lowing Order;- Ordered: That the Chamberlain be and he is hereby
authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Committee on Fi-
nance, the sum of Ten thousand dollars, and that the same be added
to the appropriation for Police. Passed in Common Council. Yeas
34. Nays none. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, Yeas-

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Dec 31 1853. Holt. S. Nays none.

Land Dragoons

The Committee on Public Building.
to whom was referred the accompanying Order of the 17th of Novem-
ber last to pay to Company B. Light Dragoons, a balance of rent
for their Armory, have considered the same, and find that this
order contemplates only a payment for a balance of rent, over and
above the amount granted by the State for an Armory for this
Company;- that, if this is granted them, it is presumed a similar
application will be made each succeeding quarter.- Previous to the
20th of May last, the time when the State allowance commenced, the
City paid $600. per annum for an Armory for this Company;- and
Company B Light Dragoons occupied one of the stalls in Jersey
Market, the same now occupied by them, which is well worth a
rent of $600; and since May 20th last they have been charged by the
City, under the direction of this Committee, $300 in addition to the
$300 allowed the City by the State for an armory for this Company.
These and other facts not necessary here to enumerate, being known
to your Committee, and feeling confident it would meet your approv-
al, they have taken the City's part upon the whole subject in-
stead of confining themselves strictly to the precise limit of the order.
And therefore, as it appears to this Committee that suitable Armories
for the two Horse Companies, viz: Company A. and Company B. Light
Dragoons, cannot be obtained in the City for the rent of $300, the
amount allowed by the State, for the reason that more room is
needed for the housing of their Equipments than can be had for
this price, and it being the opinion of the Committee, that they
should be favored by the City Council under these circumstances,
so far as can be done with propriety, we recommend to your favorable

[illegible] the annexed Bill. To the Committee, &c. [illegible] &c.

Ordered: That there be allowed to each of the Horse Companies, to wit: Dec. 31. 1853.
Company A. and Company B. Light Dragoons, such sum as will be required to pay the necessary rent since May 26th 1853, for their Armories, over and above the amount now allowed by the Rule, not however, exceeding to each, the sum of three hundred dollars per annum, and that the same be charged to appropriation for Incidental Expenses and Miscellaneous Claims. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

The Standing Committee on the City
Reduction of the City Debt respectfully report to the City Council, the Debt.
[illegible] Statement, showing the Situation of the Debt on the 2d of the present month, and the operations on that account during the present financial year, taking up the subject where the Auditor of Account left it in his Annual Report of the 26th April last. The amount of the City Debt, (exclusive of the Water Debt) at that time, as stated by the Auditor on page 10, of his Report was $ [illegible]

The amount of the Water Debt, per same Report, page 136, was 5,972,976.11

Making a total of $ 7,859,435.66

The payments have been as follows:-

City Debt.-

All the City Debt which has become due, or which will become due up to the 31st instant, has been paid or provided for, by funds in the Treasury, and has been charged off on the Auditor's Books.-

The amount thus settled, is $ 88,883.34

There has been anticipated, by payments before maturity,
notes amounting to 103,500.00

There has also been settled at the Treasury the amount

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borrowed of the Water Works, as stated by the Auditor
in his Report, page 117. 304.642,55

Making the total payments on account of the City Debt proper $497.025.89

Water Debt.

The amount paid on the Water Debt has been as follows:-

[illegible] 1.114.00

Notes on this account anticipated, 28211,00

Water Scrip. anticipated, 114.000.00

$ 162.215.00

There has been received the present year, to the credit of this Committee, the following items, viz:- On various loans authorized the last financial year, but not then negotiated, as there was in the Treasury at the close of that year, an unemployed balance of funds belonging to the Water Works, which it was thought advisable to use instead of making new loans at that time.

[illegible]

On an order dated 3^d March, 1853, authorizing a loan to meet, in anticipation, a portion of the $ 810,900 City Debt, which will become due in the financial year 1854-55.

Interest at 4½ per. cent, payable in London in 18[illegible] 600205.00

Amount obtained on loans, $ 843.205.00

Amount of the annual taxes specially appropriated to the extinguishment of the Debt, as required by the eighth section of the Ordinance on Finance, 59.00000

Cash received on sales of Land made this financial year, 17.683.14

Amount collected on the Bonds and Mortgages on hand last year 167.969.05

Total Receipts $ 1,087,857.19

The payments on account of the City Debt, as before

Stated, were		497,025,89	831.
		590,831,30	Dec. 31. 1853.

To which add the balance due the Water Works at the commencement of the year, as per Auditor's Report; page 117. 572,751,58

Less payments this year on the Water Loans, as per statement above;	462,215.00	110,536.58
Leaves the balance of Cash on hand, exclusively applicable to the payment of the Consolidated Debt of the City		$ 701,367,88

It also appears from the books of the Treasurer, that additions to the City Debt have been made, since the commencement of the present financial year, for the following objects, viz:

For a site for the new Public Library,	73,000,00
For a new Primary School House, Ward Room and Engine House in Ward 9.	11,313,00
For extension of Gas in lighting the Streets,	3,000.00
For improvement of the Public Lands,	13,000.00
	$ 100,313.00

The amount of the Consolidated Debt of the City, May 1st 1853, was		7,859,435,66
Deduct, Payments since that date, viz:		
On City Debts,	497,025,89	
On Water Debt,	462,215,00	959,240,89
Less, Loans as above stated, viz:		
To pay off old Debts,	843,205,00	
For new objects,	100,313,00	943,518,00
Net deduction		15,722,89
Total Consolidated Debt, Dec. 20, 1853.		$ 7,843,712,77

832. To meet which there is

Dec. 31. 1853.

Cash in the Treasury,	$01,367. 88
Bonds and Mortgages on hand,	$89. 315, 00
	$ 1.490. 682. 88

And all the Public Stands.

At the Ten per cent. Stock issued in the financial year most can sold at a premium of from one to four and a half per cent; the rate of advance depending upon the length of time the Stock had to run. Benjamin Seaver, Mayor. Henry J. Gardner, President of the Common Council. Samuel Nicolson, Chairman of the Finance Committee on the part of the Common Council. Accepted in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Mount Washington Avenue.

On motion of Alderman Rich the order respecting a Bond to be given by the Mount Washington Avenue Corporation, respecting the construction of their said Avenue (as recorded on page 831) which order was laid on the table Dec. 30th was taken therefrom, and the question being on the passage of the same and the Yeas and Nays being required the same were taken as follows: Yea. Aldermen James Rich & Ford. 3. Nays. The Mayor Aldermen Cooper, Reed, Whiting and White. 5. So said order was rejected.

Undinished business.

Ordered: That all matters of an unfinished nature be referred to the next Board.

Alderman Gay having entered at this stage of the proceedings took his seat at the Board.

Alderman Frost, with some appropriate and pertinent remarks submitted to the Board the following Resolve, which was seconded by Alderman Whiting, Dec. 31. 1853. Mayor.

Resolved: That the thanks of this Board be tendered to the Hon: Benjamin Seaver, for the faithful and impartial manner in which he has presided over our deliberations during the past year and for his ability, fidelity and devotion to the best interests of the City in the discharge of his duties as her Chief Magistrate— And on his retiring from his arduous and responsible duties we tender him our best wishes for his future health, happiness and prosperity. On the question of the passage of this Resolve the Yeas and Nays were ordered, and they were taken as follows:— Aldermen Frost, White, Cary, Whiting, Rich, Reed, James, and Sleeper—8— Nays none. So said Resolve was adopted by a unanimous vote.— To which the Mayor made an appropriate reply, which was ordered to be printed with the documents of the City. thanks to.

The Board then adjourned sine die.

Attest—

Saml F. McCleary Jr City Clerk

I the subscriber do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true Record of Records of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen for the year 1853.— Pages 1 to 833 inclusive —

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